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DEPARTING: Canadian Premier Pierre Trudeau shakes hands with King Khalid, King Khalid's special adviser, in Riyadh Monday. He visited the Eastern Province before flying back to Jeddah and then Madain Saleh, in the north. Crown Prince Fahd, is seen at right, and Riyadh Governor Prince Salman second from left.

## Trudeau visits Madain Saleh

JEDDAH, Nov. 18 (SPA) Prime Minister of Canada Pierre Trudeau and his party camped out in the desert near Madain Saleh, the historical city in the northwest part of the Kingdom, after his official visit to the country.

Trudeau earlier had left Riyadh for Jeddah. He was seen off by Crown Prince Fahd and other senior officials and officers.

Enroute to Jeddah he told the press he had not asked Saudi Arabia for oil supplies, although he did not exclude the possibility of such requests in the future. This would be a government to government deal, he said.

He was told this by Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani when Trudeau visited the oil producing eastern region. But he added that the question of oil supplies to his country was only casually mentioned. A figure of 100,000 barrels per day was indicated, he said.

"I want to make it clear that I did not come here to negotiate any oil deals, and as I said to you the matter was only raised casually," Trudeau said.

Earlier, a joint communique on the talks said, Trudeau, Canada and Saudi Arabia attached "great importance" to the achievement of an early and just solution of the Middle East and Palestine problems, according to the communique. The communique said that

## Heroic bid ends in tragedy

SAXTHORPE, England, Nov. 18 (AP) — A British rescue crewman's heroic bid to save a U.S. Air Force pilot ended in tragedy Tuesday when they both drowned in the North Sea after two U.S. jets had crashed, officials said.

The British airman was winched down from a Royal Air Force helicopter which answered a distress call from the American pilot, following a mid-air collision between two U.S. A-10 jet fighters near this Norfolk county village.

The U.S. pilot had ejected safely, and was floating in the sea, but was caught among the ruins of his open parachute. As the British

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## Supremacy over town claimed by Iraq, Iran

BEIRUT, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — After four days of fierce fighting both Iran and Iraq claimed supremacy in the small embattled Iranian border town of Susangerd Tuesday — each seeking a much-needed victory in the 58-day-old inconclusive war.

Iran said its regulars and Islamic revolutionary guards battled Tuesday to "clean all areas around Susangerd from the heretics" after driving the invaders from the town's eastern neighborhoods on Monday.

A midday Iraqi communique claimed Iraqi forces "tightened the noose on the enemy pockets of resistance and destroyed his reinforcements with rapid blows" in Susangerd.

The communique claimed 88 Iranian troops and guards were killed in morning fighting Tuesday pushing the total of combatants killed in four days of Susangerd combat well above 1,400 on both sides.

The Iraqi command also claimed 50 Iranian warriors were killed in an ill-fated attempt overnight to break out from a month-long Iraqi siege of Iran's oil refining city of Abadan on the southern end of the 300-mile warfront.

The Iraqi command also claimed three Iranian medium-size navy vessels were sunk in a sea battle in the northern waters of the Gulf.

The Abadan garrison is believed to be getting supplies only by sea. The Iraqis control all highways and railroads into the city that provided 60 per cent of Iran's pre-war fuel needs on the embattled Shatt al-Arab waterway.

The Iraqi communique reported Iranian warplanes bombed the Iraqi oil-loading port of Fao on the mouth of Shatt al-Arab, claiming one phantom fighter-bomber was shot down. The communique claimed 18 Iranian troops were killed in other sectors of the front, bringing the total death toll to 256 Tuesday.

Iranian communiques spoke of heavy fighting at the Bahmanshor River, which runs along the eastern outskirts of Abadan where "30 bodies of Iraqis were found."

One communique claimed ambulances and buses were seen picking up Iraqi casualties and racing away toward the southern Iraqi port city of Basra.

Meanwhile, Iran denied air attacks on a Kuwaiti border post Wednesday and Sunday, declaring its respect to Kuwait's territorial integrity and disclaiming any "territorial ambitions" in the region.

"The Iranian policy is not based on aggression," said a foreign ministry statement broadcast by Tehran radio. "We are merely fighting a war imposed on us by Iraq."

The statement was Iran's first reaction to charges by the Kuwaiti government that Iranian warplanes rocketed the Kuwaiti border post of Al-Abdali twice in five days, causing property damage, but no casualties.

Iran also repeated a charge that Iraq used "chemical weapons and incendiary bombs" against Susangerd and said this heralded "the use of germ warfare and biological weapons."

It asked the United Nations and the International Red Cross "to strongly censure the Iraqi regime and make it stop its inhuman crimes."

There was no independent confirmation of any of the claims because Western reporters were barred from the area. But if the Iranians retook Susangerd, it was their first major victory since the Iraqis invaded Iran Sept. 22 along a front stretching 200 miles (321 km) north of Susangerd and 100 miles (150 km) south to Abadan, Iran's refinery city on the Shatt Al-Arab Estuary, Iraq's only waterway to the Arabian Gulf.

Two newsmen, an American and a Briton, were wounded slightly Tuesday in an Iranian mortar attack on the Iraqi-occupied port city of Khorramshahr. An Iraqi Information Ministry official and two Iraqi soldiers escorting a group of foreign newsmen on a front line visit also were wounded, witnesses reported. Two other newsmen in the group escaped unhurt.

The wounded men were identified as John Hall, 42, a British television soundman, and Mike Silver, 44, and American television producer. Both work for NBC but were in Khorramshahr as pool representatives for all the American television networks.

## Oman blames Russia for unrest

MUSCAT, Nov. 18 (R) — Sultan Qaboos Bin Said of Oman Tuesday blamed the Soviet Union for instability in the world and called for action to face the Soviet threat. He told a National Day parade that the instability was mostly due to the unbridled ambitions of the Soviet Union, which fostered and exploited situations for its own ends.

# Summit row 'defused'

By Elias Haddad

JEDDAH, Nov. 18 — The controversy raised by Syria's demand to postpone the 11th Arab summit in Amman this month seems to have been defused and current diplomatic efforts suggest that the conference will be convened as planned.

Syria objected that the summit meeting was inappropriate at a time when Arab differences were deep over the Iraq-Iran war and other regional issues. Jordan, the host country, argued that Syria and all other Arab League member states were bound by the previous Baghdad summit resolutions and that the projected summit is the right occasion for the Arabs to settle their disputes.

Jordan's position was supported Monday by Crown Prince Fahd in his announcement that the summit will take place as agreed on Nov. 25. The chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization Yasser Arafat was also quoted Tuesday as denying that the PLO has asked for the postponement of the conference.

Arafat, who was apparently sent by Damascus to sound out Arab positions, visited Riyadh this weekend with the PLO's second-in-command Salah Khalaf (Abu Iyad).

After talks with Crown Prince Fahd the Palestinian delegation proceeded to Kuwait on a Gulf tour described as "aiming to achieve a unified Arab position towards the Amman summit."

Kuwait's viewpoint was no different, and its deputy premier and foreign minister, Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Sabah called on Syria and its allies in the steadfastness front to "take note of current Arab circumstances and to make sacrifices in the interests of Arab unity."

Sheikh Sabah added in a statement before leaving for a ministerial meeting in Amman preparing for the summit that a committee may be set up to reconcile conflicting Arab attitudes.

The Kuwait proposal, which was made immediately after the talks of the PLO delegation with Kuwaiti Ruler Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, is seen primarily to be directed at the Syrian-Iraqi differences. Syria and Iraq are ruled by rival factions of the Arab Baath Socialist Party, whose political dispute has pitted them further apart by Syria's support for Iran in its war against Iraq.

Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal, meanwhile flew into Amman Tuesday — three days after delivering a message from King Khalid to Syrian President Hafiz Assad. His arrival in the Jordanian capital followed talks with the Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Conference Habib Chertif.

His talks with Prince Saud also dealt with the Iraqi-Iranian war, and he said that the organization must continue its efforts to stop the fighting and persuade both parties to start negotiating.

Prince Saud is in Amman to represent the Kingdom at a meeting of the special committee of Arab foreign ministers which will prepare the agenda for the Arab summit. The committee had drawn up a common strategy and was aiming at a more detailed one.

Prince Saud said Syria did not object to taking part in the summit, but merely asked for its postponement.

The outcome of the committee's discussions will be submitted to the Arab foreign ministers' conference scheduled for Nov. 20-23 in Amman. The recommendations will then be presented to the Arab heads of state at their summit two days later in the Jordanian capital.

## Egyptian U closed after 3-day clashes

CAIRO, Nov. 18 (AFP) — Three days of clashes between Islamic fraternities and Egyptian security forces last week forced the closure of the University of Assiut on the Nile 300 kilometers south of here, informed sources said Tuesday.

The violence reportedly started after Muslim students demanded that men and women students be separated in lecture rooms, that courses be halted at prayer time, and that students have a greater voice in the university council.

The students also objected to barbed wire around the student dormitories and tore down some of it during demonstrations. Security forces used tear gas grenades to disperse rioters and arrested 28 students.

In similar riots in Assiut last April, fundamentalists reportedly hurled petrol bombs (molotov cocktails). The 30,000-student university has been closed for a week and the dormitories, which accommodate 6,000 students, completely evacuated. President Anwar Sadat banned activities by the Islamic fraternities after the riots last April.

## U.S.-Arab ties improve

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 — Arab diplomats here are expressing optimism about the chances for improved U.S.-Arab relations under the incoming Reagan administration. Recent unpublished contacts between Arab governments and members of the Reagan camp have proven encouraging, sources said, and there is growing evidence that President-elect Ronald Reagan is inclined to pursue a balanced Middle East policy once he assumes office.

From their contacts with the Reagan camp, Arab diplomats are inclined to believe that the new president is not expected to abandon his personal commitment to Israel's security.

Arab sources said they were encouraged by Reagan's two-hour meeting with former Treasury Secretary John Connally — the president-elect's first session with a nationally known political figure since his election victory Nov. 4.

Connally is sympathetic toward the Arab world, and his meeting with Reagan raised the prospect that he was being seriously considered for a cabinet post, perhaps secretary of State or Defense.

Another candidate for one of these key positions, pro-Israeli Democratic Senator Henry Jackson of Washington state, told reporters on a televised interview program Sunday that he had not yet been contacted officially by the Reagan camp regarding a cabinet post.

Sources say Reagan's advisers are now hesitating to recommend Jackson for a top-level cabinet post, on the grounds that his appointment would needlessly antagonize Arab allies of the United States.

Meanwhile, Dr. Clovis Maksoud, the Arab League's envoy to the U.S. and the United Nations, said he was cautiously optimistic about the new administration.

Speaking with members of the Arab press corps here, Maksoud said the Reagan administration offered "a credible change" of improving U.S.-Arab relations.

His optimism was partly the result of Arab League "contacts — but not meetings" with the Reagan camp since the Nov. 4 election, Maksoud said.

But the Arab League envoy warned the Reagan administration not to pursue the



PRESS CONFERENCE: PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat (center) speaks to journalists during his short visit to the Kingdom Monday. Riyadh Governor Prince Salman is seen at right and PLO's second man Salah Khalaf at left.

## 10 Arab students wounded

TEL AVIV, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — Israeli troops Tuesday shot and wounded 10 Palestinian students protesting in separate demonstrations against the closure of the Bir-Zeit university by the West Bank's Israeli military governor. Six of the students were wounded in Bethlehem and four in Ramallah and neighboring Bira.

One of the students wounded in Bira was the 14-year-old daughter of the acting rector of Bir-Zeit University, Gabi Baramki. A girl student was wounded in Monday in Bira. Tuesday Bethlehem, Bira, and Ramallah were officially closed to journalists. Reporters from the London Times and Washington Post who went to Ramallah hospital to investigate were expelled from the hospital by Israeli troops.

The army also banned access to Bethlehem University. An Agence France-Presse correspondent who saw the troops arrive reported that contrary to the official statement, the soldiers had not read out the riot act.

Military governor Gen. Benyami Ben Eliezer ordered Bir-Zeit University closed last Saturday for an eight-day period. The university, he said Monday, had become "one of the main bases for agitation" against Israeli occupation.

One of the injured was Haniya Baramki, 14, daughter of the acting president of Bir-Zeit University.

The Israeli government tries to eradicate in

## By Israeli troops

West Bank all manifestations of Palestinian nationalism, such as flags, anthems and posters, on the grounds that they incite public unrest.

In the Gaza Strip, a fruit seller was shot to death on the beach Monday night by an unidentified assailant, a military spokesman said. His assassination followed the pattern of three previous attacks on Palestinian Arabs in the strip. In each of the cases over the past two weeks, a single assailant, armed with a pistol or submachine gun, attacked the victim and ran. In one case, the attacker also killed a bystander.

In another development the Arab mayor of Jabaliya, just north of Gaza in Israeli-occupied territory, was shot dead in his office early Tuesday, Israeli radio reported. The report said that a man entered the mayor's office at 9:30 a.m. and fired several shots which killed Muhammad Abu Wardah instantly. The army immediately clamped a curfew on the area and was carrying out a house-to-house search for the gunman. No clues were available to his identity.

Abu Wardah was one of a tiny handful of West Bank Arab political figures to support the Camp David peace agreement between Egypt and Israel. His murder was the sixth political assassination in the Gaza Strip over the past few months. All previous victims have been suspected of collaboration with the Israeli occupying forces.

## Diplomats predict

## U.S.-Arab ties improve

"Jordanian option" currently being proposed by the Israeli Labor Party, a strategy that would involve creation of a Jordanian-Palestinian state on the east bank of the Jordan River.

Maksoud said the Arab League was committed to a Palestinian self-determination and statehood, as well as recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organization as the legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

The ambassador noted that the Camp David peace process was "at a crossroads," and he said "there are elements in the Reagan camp who consider it necessary to go beyond the Camp David agreements."

But he said that the new administration should not pursue a course predicated on the assumption that a divided Arab world is a desirable state of affairs.

Maksoud observed that the Reagan camp's Middle East views were now in a state of flux. "We have to make a very careful analysis of the ferment that will take place within the coming months," he said.

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## To supervise Islamic Olympic games

# Sports federation considered

RIYADH, Nov. 18 (SPA) — Guidelines have been drawn up for a Sports Federation of Islamic Solidarity Countries to organize and supervise Islamic Olympic Games.

Othman Al-Saad, assistant director general for Youth Welfare, made the statement Monday on his return from Jeddah where he led the Kingdom's delegation to meetings of a

committee of Muslim experts entrusted with reviewing the project of the Olympic Games.

The meetings were held at the Secretariat General of the 40-member Organization of the Islamic Conference. Saudi Arabia chaired the meetings. He said that Saudi Arabia has expressed its readiness to work out the statute of the proposed federation. A

## Cabinet reviews attack

RIYADH, Nov. 18 (SPA) — Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan briefed the Cabinet Monday on the results of the incident in which Iranian warplanes raided Al-Abdali region in Kuwait Sunday. He explained the dimensions of the incident. The Cabinet met under Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah.

Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani said the Cabinet focused on

the present political conditions in the area, and in particular the development of the situation between Iraq and Iran.

Prince Abdullah reported to the Cabinet on the visit of Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau, and the talks that took place in the context of the existing cooperation between Saudi Arabia and Canada. Dr. Yamani said. Prince Abdullah discussed the purpose of the visit and the outcome of the talks so far, he added.

## COMMENT

By Abdul Rahman Saad Al-Samari  
Al-Jazirah

The Saudi Arabian Public Transport Company (SAPTCO) is the latest of all the public and other companies in the Kingdom, but it has become so famous and popular that the reputation of other companies and establishments almost have been eclipsed.

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Some of SAPTCO's drivers seem to

have been influenced by the drivers of dump trucks, since they have begun to prefer rash driving throwing overboard all traffic regulations and signals.

The buses don't stop at their stands, but the drivers stop them wherever anyone gives them a signal to do so. Their behavior in stopping the bus is similar to the attitude of other means of conveyance.

We have found many SAPTCO buses with the expression "private carrier" written on their front windscreen. It seems as though the company's services have already covered every city and town of the Kingdom, so it has begun renting them out to the public! It is, therefore, still wondered whether SAPTCO's aim is to serve the public or it only functions for the sake of material gains.

One more question. Does anyone like to see the ads on the two sides of SAPTCO's buses, which look like pieces from an auction place?

committee of experts will meet again within the coming two months to finalize the statute before submitting it to the 12th Islamic Foreign Ministers Conference. The committee set up for the purpose is headed by Bangladesh, Saudi Arabia and the OIC Secretariat. It also comprises Turkey and nine other OIC member states.

In other developments, Prince Faisal ibn Fahd ibn Abdul Aziz, director general of the Youth Welfare Organization, received a delegation Monday from the 54-member Federation of Arab Universities and congratulated them on the transfer of the federation's headquarters from Cairo to Riyadh.

The prince emphasized the importance of providing the utmost care to academic youths and the necessity for the Kingdom to extend all possible services to them. He hailed the decision of the Council of Ministers according to which scholarships abroad should be confined to post-graduate studies.

The delegation was headed by Sultan Al-Shawi, the federation's secretary general. It also included assistant secretaries general Dr. Gassem Al-Khalaf, and Dr. Muhammad Faraj Dughaim.

Early in the summer, Prince Faisal announced that plans are being prepared to build a sports stadium in Riyadh with a capacity for 80,000 spectators, incorporating some of the latest technology in sports complexes. He added that the present sports stadium is not large enough. He also said the money for the stadium already has been allocated and the complex will take between three to four years to complete.

The Youth Welfare director general said the new budget will enable the organization to build and complete 16 clubs and other projects planned in the Kingdom. Sports complexes will be built in Mecca, Taif and Tabuk. The 1980-81 budget includes SR720 million for the Hilal, Nasr, Abili, Itihad, Itifak and Nahdha clubs. Each will get football grounds with spectators seating, enclosed halls, swimming pools, administrative buildings and other facilities making each club a sporting complex.

## Saudi Development Fund report released

By a Staff Writer

RIYADH, Nov. 18 — The Saudi Fund for Development financed 14 projects abroad at a cost of SR 1394 million in 11 developing countries last year, according to a Ministry of Finance annual report.

The report said the SFD participates in the execution of such projects together with the World Bank and other Arab funds; which were set up to assist the development in poorer states. So far the fund has made agreements with 31 states of which 14 are African and 17 Asian, in addition to Malta and Brazil.

During 1979, the fund signed 29 new agreements involving an amount of \$765 million, some 10 per cent lower than that disbursed in the previous year. The grant element of new commitments, which had softened from 46 per cent in 1976 to 51 per cent in 1977, reached 57 per cent in 1978 making the fund the softest source among bilateral

and multilateral Arab funds. In other words more amounts of money were being given away by the Kingdom than by any other state in the Arab World.

The most common estimate for overall Saudi Arabian aid to foreign countries is the one produced by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. In the organization's annual report for 1979 it puts total assistance given by Saudi Arabia in 1978 at \$1.8 billion or 2.32 per cent of the Gross National Product.

Aid from Saudi Arabia comes in manifold forms: bilateral project assistance from the SFD, bilateral cash assistance generally agreed on between heads of state on visits to the Kingdom and multilateral project and program aid channelled through other international bodies and agencies.

Finance Minister Sheikh Muhammad Abul-Khalil was quoted as saying that there were substantial Saudi contributions to about ten different institutions most of which constitute

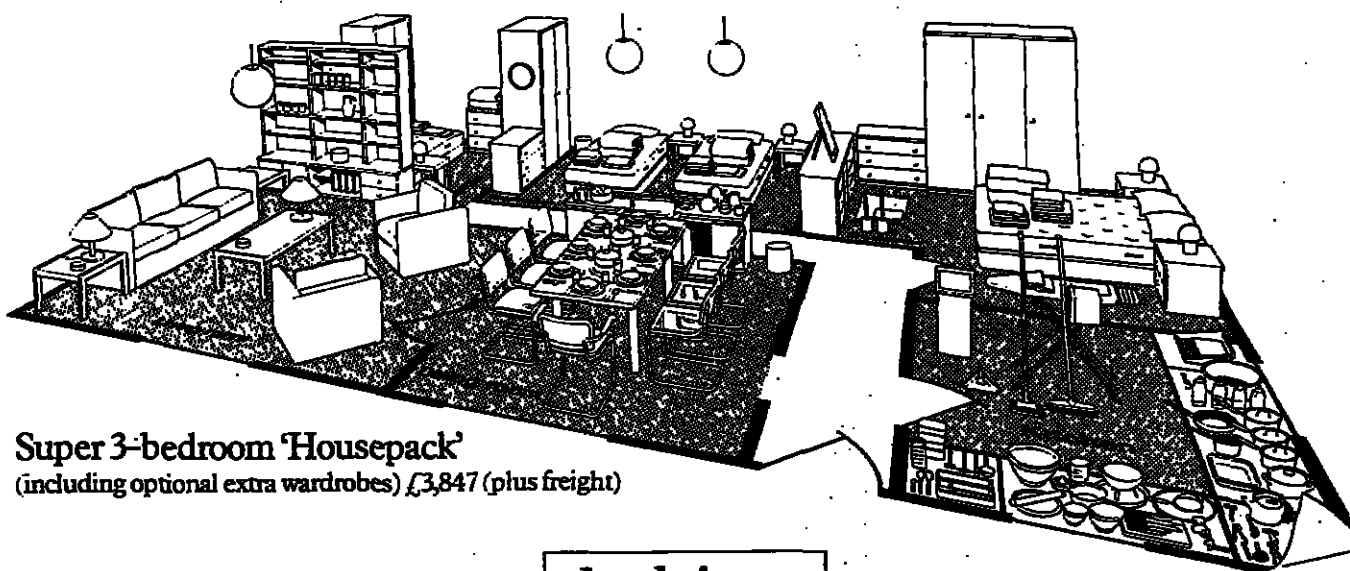
between 20 and 30 per cent of the capital of the OPEC Special Fund, the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa, the Islamic Development Bank, the African Development Bank and the Technical Assistance Fund for Africa.

The fund, set up in 1974 is exclusively concerned with project finance, and mainly of infrastructure projects. In 1974, 84.1 per cent of the SR6 billion lent to Asian countries went to infrastructure projects and 15.9 per cent to agricultural development, 23 per cent of a similar amount for Africa was for infrastructure. All of the SR 269 million extended to other countries was for infrastructure projects.

The loans are soft, characterized by longer payment periods that average 20 years, grace periods described as reasonable — averaging five years — and a service charge as low as 2.6 per cent paid only on sums disbursed. During the same year SR 975 million of financing was an outright grant.

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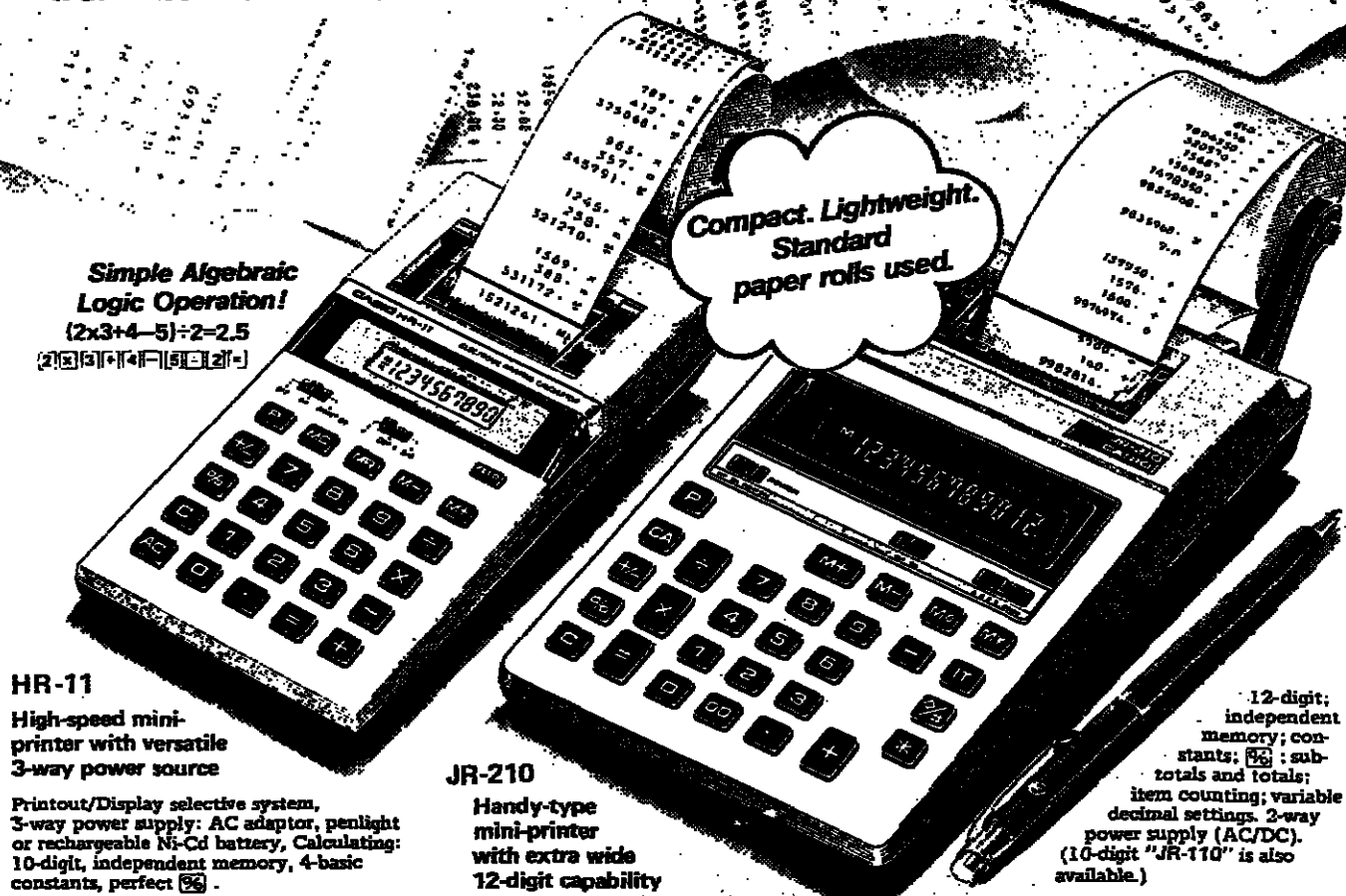
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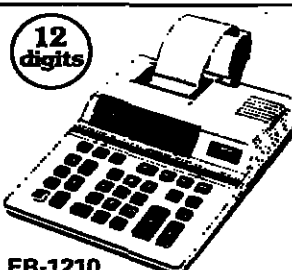
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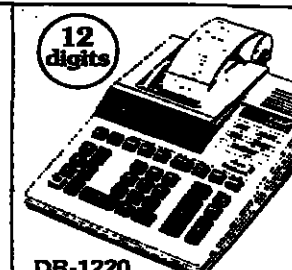
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## Between WML and Indonesia

## Officials sign Dawa agreement

MECCA, Nov. 18 (SPA) — The World Muslim League signed a cooperation agreement with an official Indonesian delegation to spread Dawa (invitation to Islam) throughout Indonesia.

The pact was signed by Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan, WML secretary general, and Indonesia's Gen. Borhani, head of religious affairs.

Harakan also conferred Monday with a delegation of the Moro National Liberation Front (Southern Philippines) headed by Nur Misuari, the front's commander. The two sides reviewed developments of the situation in the Southern Philippines.

Meanwhile, Harakan's assistant, Sheikh Muhammad Safwat Al-Saqa, who was back recently from Malaysia, told newsmen Monday that the regional council of Dawa which will be set up in that country, is non-political.



Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan

It will only work for the spreading of the Dawa and will combat Communism and Atheism. He said that the Islamic conference

he attended in Kuala Lumpur for this purpose was held in the light of proposals by Malaysia, Pakistan and Indonesia to set up such a regional council for Southeast Asia and the Pacific.

He added that Tunku (Prince) Abdul Rahman, the former prime minister of Malaysia, first secretary of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and now head of Perkim Islamic Organization in Malaysia, expressed his thanks during the conference to King Khalid, the servant of the two Holy Harams, for having given \$500,000 to the council to help it in spreading Dawa in the area.

Earlier, in a statement marking the 11th anniversary of the Al-Aqsa Mosque arson, Al-Harakan hailed Saudi Arabia's call for Jihad and urged the leaders of the Islamic world to shoulder their responsibility.

What was taken by force can be retaken only by force, the WML official said. He accused the superpowers of standing at the front with Israel against Arabs and Muslims in order to maintain Zionist intransigence.

Sheikh Muhammad said the date should be observed every year, not by shedding tears, but by a unified stand adopted by Muslims in dealing with the cause. Jews cannot be stopped except with power, he had said. They occupied the Muslim holy places by force, and only the same can restore the occupied land, he said. Al-Harakan urged Muslims throughout the world to support Prince Fahd's decision. Once Muslims are united, they can liberate their holy places and repulse occupation, he added.

## Sultan defines defense needs

RIYADH, Nov. 18 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia never will stop strengthening its armed forces "to defend the shrines and the people of the Kingdom" by acquiring armament from whatever country it deems fit to deal with, according to Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan.

In an interview with *Wall Street Journal*, Prince Sultan affirmed that "our arms purchases are based on our own choice and decision." He pointed out that Saudi Arabia has not withdrawn its request to buy bomb racks and fuel tanks for its F-15 planes to enhance their defensive capacity, and especially for deterrence purposes. "It is our duty to develop our defensive capacity and our friends owe it to us to support us in this," he said.

The prince stressed that the Kingdom's request for bombers, mid-air refueling planes, A-WACS and additional fuel tanks for the F-15's is below its defense requirements. It is even inferior to what exists in the area itself "whether with countries dealing with the East or with the West."

In reply to a question on Gulf security and the postponement of the Palestinian question for a certain period, Prince Sultan said the two issues are complementary to each other and cannot be separated. The Palestinian issue is the essential thing for preserving security and keeping the area away from international problems.

## Prayer Times

Wednesday	Mecca	Medina	Nejd
Fajr	5.09	5.16	4.47
Ishraq	6.34	6.40	6.12
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Asr	3.16	3.13	2.44
Maghreb	5.39	5.35	5.06
Isha	7.09	7.05	6.36



Prince Mohsen bin Jilawi

## Water officials increase budget

DAMMAM, Nov. 18 (SPA) — The Eastern Province's Water and sewage Department decided to increase the department's 1981-82 budget by SR95 million, officials reported Tuesday.

The department's board of administration, which met under its chairman and province governor Prince Abdul Mohsen bin Jilawi, also selected a new emblem for all water and sewage departments in the Kingdom.

The increase will cover new projects and help complete and expand existing ones, according to Abdullah Muhammad Al-Babtain, the department's director general. The department also will open two new branches in Rahima and Al-Khafji to handle the operation and maintenance of the water and sewage networks in the two areas.

## Traffic course students honored at graduation

RIYADH, Nov. 18 (SPA) — A ceremony was held at the Public Security Officers Institute Tuesday to honor graduates of the institute's first special course on traffic. Public Security Chief Gen. Abdullah Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh officiated at the ceremony.

The general reviewed the graduates as well as students of the sixth preparatory class of university-graduate officers. A total of 18 officers graduated from the two-and-a-half year course, which included a mission to the United States. Ninety-four per cent of the officers passed the final test.

In a speech on the occasion, Col. Muhammad bin Raja Al-Harbi, director of the General Traffic Department, hailed the efforts of Interior Minister Prince Naif and his deputy Prince Ahmad as well as the directives of the public security chief for developing and modernizing the method of work at the traffic department and giving advanced scientific training to its staff.

Taking the floor next, Capt. Ghazi Abdullah Al-Hindi, director of the Officers Institute, expressed his appreciation for the wise policy and the ambitious plan drawn up by the interior minister and his deputy, and which led to the development of all security sectors, to stability all over the country and to better services for the pilgrims. He hoped the graduates success in serving their glorious religion, their King and their country.

A graduate, Lt. Amin Abdul Hamid Said, delivered a speech on behalf of the graduates in which he expressed everybody's elation on this occasion.

The graduates took the oath of allegiance and obedience, following which the general handed them their diplomas and awards.

## BRIEFS

**Petrochemical talks held**  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 (SPA) — Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Algosabi, who is also the chairman of the board of the Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC), conferred Tuesday with the chairman of Dow Chemical. Talks dealt with the implementation progress of the petrochemical project in Jubail.

**Industrial exhibit scheduled**  
JEDDAH, Nov. 18 — A five-day Industrial Development Exhibition organized by Tihama will be opened in

Dammam Sunday by Minister of Industry and Electricity, Dr. Ghazi Algosabi. Invitations have been addressed to senior officials and businessmen to attend the exhibition. Major international firms will be represented at the exhibition.

**Girls' school project awarded**  
DAMMAM, Nov. 18 (SPA) — A project for the construction of girls schools in Dammam will be handed with all the necessary designs to the Schools Agency, preliminary to inviting bids. Dr. Muhammad Ali Al-Harbi, director general of Girls Schools in the Eastern Province said Tuesday.

## Al Malaz races held

RIYADH, Nov. 18 (SPA) — The second Arabian horse-racing event of the season was held at Al-Malaz race track afternoon. Results of the five races were as follows:

- Al-Ram Cup for beginners (SR3,000) — 1,000 meters**
1. Saida — Prince Mish'al bin Abdulah bin Abdul Aziz
  2. Azza — Prince Abdul Rahman bin Abdulah Al-Faisal
  3. Asham — Manshi Muhammad Al-Madani
  4. Bahr Al-Hadi — Sheikh Faisal Abdulrahman Al-Dhimer
  5. Feras — Ahmad Nawar Abdul Jadhya

- Al-Hamaya Cup (SR11,000) for third class horses — 1,200 meters**
1. Azeel — Prince Faisal bin Abdulah bin Abdul Aziz
  2. Al-Finah — Yusef Behnam Yusef
  3. Rays — Prince Khalid bin Badr bin Abdul Aziz
  4. Ibn Khaldoun — Prince Mish'al bin Yusef bin Saud
  5. Eshab — Prince Turki bin Bandar bin Khalid bin Abdul Aziz

- Al-Salay Cup for second class horses — 1,200 meters**
1. Azman — Prince Faisal bin Khalid bin Abdul Aziz
  2. Khairullah — Muhammad bin Mania Al-Qatani
  3. Jomra — Prince Mish'al bin Yusef bin Saud
  4. Rajawi — Prince Saud bin Muhammad bin Abdul Aziz
  5. Jazila — Prince Faisal bin Abdulah bin Abdul Aziz

- Mazal Cup (SR15,000) for first class horses — 1,600 meters**
1. Al-Zab'y — Prince Saud bin Muhammad bin Abdul Aziz
  2. Nauf — Prince Saud bin Muhammad bin Abdul Aziz
  3. Senjar — Prince Saud bin Muhammad bin Abdul Aziz
  4. Al-Lahiq — Prince Saud bin Muhammad bin Abdul Aziz
  5. Al-Wasla — Prince Turki bin Bandar bin Abdul Aziz

- The Royal Guard Cup (SR20,000) for local beginners — 1,200 meters**
1. Shama — Prince Bandar bin Saud bin Muhammad bin Abdul Aziz
  2. Sand Mearouf — Prince Abdul Rahman bin Abdulah Al-Faisal
  3. Saba Najd — Prince Abdul Rahman bin Abdulah Al-Faisal
  4. Ajba — Prince Faisal bin Saud bin Saud
  5. Munira — Prince Fahd bin Badr bin Abdul Aziz

At the end of the race, Lt. Col. Al-Mahawesh presented the cup to the owner of the winning horse, on behalf of the National Guard.

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## Senate panel may probe Israeli attack on *Liberty*

By Bob Lebling  
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 — The Republican Party's capture of control of the Senate in the Nov. 4 elections has opened up the prospect of a full-scale Senate investigation of Israel's attack on the U.S. spy ship *Liberty* in the 1967 Middle East war.

Republicans will assume the chairmanship of all Senate committees next January. And Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona, who has expressed interest in a probe of the *Liberty* incident, will be taking over as chairman of the powerful Senate Intelligence Committee, the panel best suited to conduct such an investigation.

The *Liberty*, an electronic intelligence ship monitoring the 1967 war, was attacked by Israeli jets and torpedo off the Sinai coast. The attack, which Israel claimed was "accidental," killed 34 American crewmen and injured 171. Critics have charged the U.S. government has covered up the incident.

Interest in the *Liberty* affair has grown here in recent months following publication of *Assault on the Liberty*, an eyewitness account by one of the ship's crew members, James M. Ennes, Jr. Ennes, an officer wounded during the attack, maintains in his book that Israel had properly identified the *Liberty* as an American ship and deliberately attacked it. Ennes' book has received unexpected publicity in the U.S., and has just gone into its second edition.

*Assault on the Liberty* last summer attracted the attention of Senator Adlai Stevenson, chairman of the Intelligence Committee's subcommittee on collection and production of intelligence. At Stevenson's request, Ennes met with the senator's key staff aides to discuss the possibility of a Senate probe into the *Liberty* incident and the alleged U.S. government cover-up that followed.

But while Stevenson considered the matter worthy of investigation, he has not called for full-scale Senate hearings on the incident, and is unlikely to do so during the current "lame-duck" session of Congress. Stevenson did not seek re-election in November, and will leave the Senate at the end of the year.

If the *Liberty* affair is to be pursued, it will almost certainly be at the request of Senator Goldwater, who was impressed by Ennes' book and is known to be disturbed by the Israeli attack on the *Liberty* in its aftermath.

**Turkey to get W.German military aid**

ANKARA, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — An agreement for West German military aid of \$500 million for Turkey was signed here Monday between the Turkish Defense Minister Haluk Bayulken and West German Ambassador here, Dirk Oncken.

Authoritative sources said the money would be used over a three-year period to buy West German Leopard tanks and 2,500 anti-tank rockets, and to modernize the American-built M47 and M48 tanks in the Turkish

**Rightists shell S. Lebanon villages**

BEIRUT, Nov. 18 (AFP) — Lebanese rightist militia backed up by Israeli artillery shelled three areas in south central Lebanon Monday night — Arnoun, Kleia and the town of Nabatiyeh, the Palestinian news agency Wafa reported Tuesday.

The Palestinian refugee camp at Al Bass south of the port of Tyre was also bom-

**Sudan expels Cuban diplomat**

KHARTOUM, Nov. 18 (R) — The Sudanese government has announced it was expelling a Cuban diplomat who arrived in Khartoum two months ago to open his country's first embassy. A government statement Monday quoted by the official Sudanese news agency, said the diplomat, Heriderton Fernandez, was "an undesirable person for security reasons" and that he had been given

72 hours to leave Sudan.

Sudan and Cuba established diplomatic relations only three months ago. Fernandez, 41, had not yet presented his credentials to President Jaafar Numeiri.

The agency said Fernandez was summoned to the Sudanese Foreign Ministry and told to leave.

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Hans Dietrich Genscher

## Genscher hits Israeli policy on settlements

BONN, Nov. 18 (R) — West German Foreign Minister Hans Dietrich Genscher has indirectly criticized Israel's policy of establishing Jewish settlements in Gaza and on the occupied West Bank during a dinner here for Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir. Genscher said West Germany was a firm friend of Israel but could not accept its "policy of fait accompli" in the Middle East.

The remarks came in a dinner speech Monday after Shamir's first day of talks here with Genscher and Chancellor Helmut Schmidt.

Genscher said that as a reliable friend, West Germany could not be coolly distant toward Israel were it disagreed with government policy.

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## Inflation seen posing threat to Begin cabinet

TEL AVIV, Nov. 18 (R) — A leap in Israel's inflation to a new world high put the government of Prime Minister Menachem Begin under internal attack Monday just when it was enjoying a rare respite from international pressures. The small, ultra-nationalist Tehiya Party said it would present a Knesset (parliamentary) motion of no-confidence in the government's economic management. The main opposition group, the Labor alignment, said it was considering doing the same.

Opposition anger was aroused by a surge of 11 per cent in consumer prices for the month

of October alone. This brought the inflation rate for the preceding 12 months to 138 per cent, believed to be the world's highest.

Finance Minister Vigael Hurvitz, his reputation for economic wizardry in tatters after a year in office, told reporters he did not intend to resign. But political sources said many members of Begin's Likud bloc coalition were demanding changes in his policies.

Although it seemed unlikely that even a concerted opposition attack could topple the

government, the clear rise in public dissatisfaction posed new doubts over whether the administration could survive its full term of office to November, 1981.

The uproar over inflation jolted ministers out of the lull they had been basking in during recent months. The swing of international interest to the war in the Gulf, the United States elections and other major events, had left Israel unusually free of critical foreign attention.

## Tunisia reports border incidents with Libya

TUNIS, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — Secretary-general of the Tunisian foreign ministry Mahmoud Mestiri has revealed there had been many frontier incidents with Libya in recent months. Mestiri told a press conference Monday the latest occurred Nov. 16 when Tunisian troops fired on a Libyan patrol which had infiltrated nearly a kilometer inside the frontier. The patrol escaped back into Libya, he said.

Three Libyan soldiers were captured July 27 and returned to Libya as a goodwill gesture on Libya's National Day Sept. 1, he said. Mestiri said Tunisia had noted the presence of troops and sophisticated equipment near its border. "Without being alarmed, we wished to make known our preoccupations, while staying vigilant," he said.

Mestiri said Tunisia would raise the matter at the forthcoming Arab summit.

In a speech clearly referring to Libya, Tunisian Prime Minister Muhammad Mzali warned Sunday night that nobody should try to threaten Tunisia's integrity "by force of arms or demagogic means."

## No progress made in autonomy talks

CAIRO, Nov. 18 (R) — American, Egyptian and Israeli negotiators Monday concluded two days of low-level talks on autonomy for the 1.5 million Palestinians of the West Bank and Gaza Strip without making significant progress.

The three delegations issued no statement on their talks but foreign ministry official sources said Egypt's position on Palestinian autonomy remained unchanged.

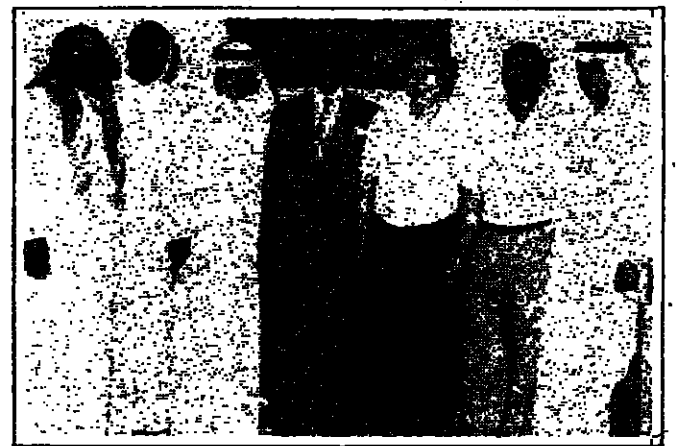
They said Egypt stressed during the two sessions held Monday the necessity for an Israeli withdrawal from all occupied Arab lands, that Jewish settlements were illegal and that East Jerusalem must remain under Arab sovereignty. Israel differs sharply with Egypt on all three issues, they added.

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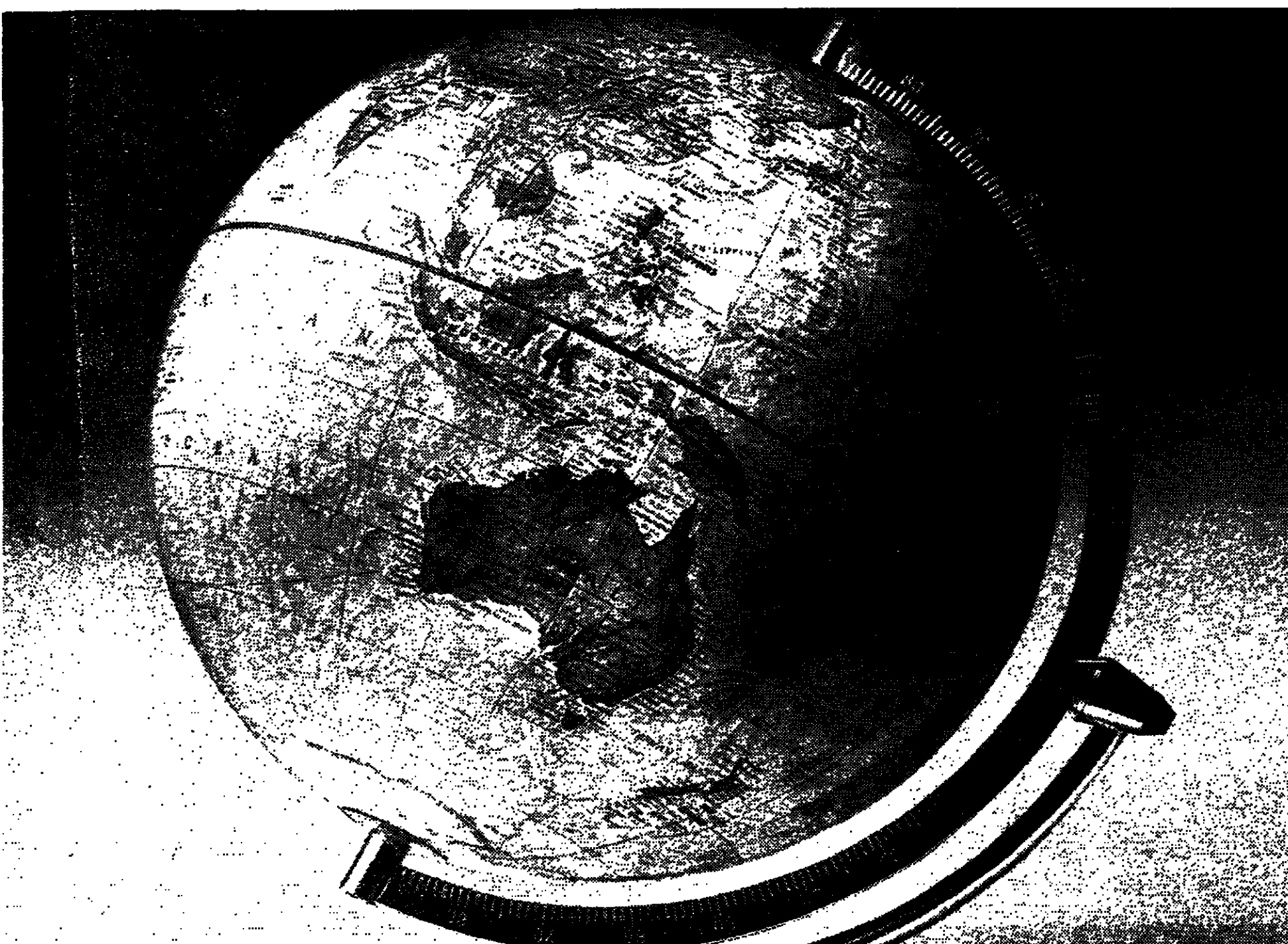
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**By Andy Plattner of Congressional Quarterly**  
WASHINGTON — The growing dilemma of nuclear garbage disposal has citizens and public officials in many states mobilizing to prevent nuclear wastes from being stored in their region or even trucked through on public roads.

The three states with commercial burial grounds for low-level radioactive trash are considering closing them or limiting what they will take. California officials nervously are examining the effects of radiation leaking from thousands of barrels of wastes dumped off the San Francisco coast in the 1950s and 1960s.

At the same time, the nuclear power industry and utilities are running out of room to store burned nuclear fuel and are bringing pressure on the federal government to store it for them.

Despite this growing public concern over disposal of radioactive wastes, Congress has never enacted a national nuclear waste plan and it is unlikely that Congress will pass a bill in its post-election, lame-duck session.

But the Nov. 4 election may have pushed the problem closer to the front of the line of those decisions the 97th Congress must face next year. Voters in several states made it clear they don't want radioactive wastes in their back yards.

The most immediate problem is the burial of "low-level" nuclear wastes, which are generated in every community in the United States. There are only three dumps for this type of waste in the nation. Washington voters decided Nov. 4 to close that state's dump next summer. The governor of Nevada, has pledged to close his state's burial grounds and South Carolina has cut in half the amount of waste its dump will take.

Low-level wastes, which can be very radioactive and quite dangerous to living creatures, include contaminated paper, plastics,

construction materials, tools, protective clothing, industrial wastes and contaminated trash produced by nuclear medicine.

Of the 100,000 cubic meters of low-level wastes annually buried in the three commercial dumps in the United States, about 43 per cent comes from nuclear power plants, 25 per cent from hospitals, 24 per cent from industry and 8 per cent from the federal government.

The Energy Department also buries about 50,000 cubic meters of this waste each year in its own dumps.

Three other low-level commercial dumps have been closed. One, at Sheffield, Ill., was closed after it was filled in 1978. Two others, at West Valley, N.Y., and Morehead, Ky., were closed in 1975 and 1977 because of water contamination problems.

For 25 years, until 1970, a great deal of low-level waste was put in metal barrels and dumped at 50 sites in the ocean. Officials of the Environmental Protection Agency say one-quarter of those barrels now are leaking. Experts disagree on the environmental effect of the leaks but recent publicity has aroused the public in several states, particularly in California.

Low-level wastes currently are buried in dirt-covered trenches at the three dumps. On the East Coast, where most nuclear power plants are located, there is only one dump, at Barnwell, S.C. Because that facility can't accept liquid wastes, trucks must carry this garbage to Hanford, Wash., from as far away as New England.

Claiming that federal regulations concerning the packaging and transportation of these

wastes were being ignored, the states of Nevada and Washington in 1979 ordered their dumping grounds closed for several weeks. This closure awakened other states to the impending crisis.

The National Governors' Association and other organizations of state and local officials say the disposal of low-level wastes should be a state responsibility. But, they say legislation is needed from Congress stating this and giving states the authority to enter into regional

compacts to handle radioactive trash.

While the states face the low-level waste problem, the federal government must decide what to do with high-level wastes generated in nuclear reactors and in producing nuclear weapons. Some of these wastes remain radioactively hazardous for hundreds of thousands of years.

President Carter announced in February the government would take a safety-first approach to finding permanent repositories

in underground geologic formations. The Energy Department is considering repository sites in 23 states, much to the displeasure of residents in those states.

Congress has not yet agreed to Carter's policy. Instead, the Senate voted this summer for a relatively quick solution — high-level wastes would be put in specially made vaults, where they could be monitored. Three House committees have written five different solutions, ranging from a demonstration project to what the president proposed. However, the committees' inability to compromise has kept the bills from being put before the full House and no solution seems likely this year.

## Nuclear waste builds up as dumps close

## Stodgy bread can be fun

By T.H. Watkins

NEW YORK (NYT) — A recent newspaper story reported that the Washington-based Center for Science in the Public Interest had filed a petition with the Federal Trade Commission requesting that a major bread-manufacturing company be restrained from advertising that its product "has nutrition that even whole wheat cannot beat."

I, for one, was appalled by the action. Not that I side with the company's claim — or oppose it, for that matter.

I know approximately as much about nutrition as I do about the mating habits of the desert pupfish. No, what appalls me is the astounding shortsightedness of the action, assuming as it does that nutrition is bread's only important function.

This is arrant nonsense. What the center completely ignored is the fact that the kind of bread in question has utilitarian as well as cultural qualities that must be taken into consideration.

You know the kind of bread I mean. It sits, in a multitude of brands, on your supermarket shelf, waiting for you to come along and grasp it in the center of the loaf, whereupon it sighs and collapses. Its substance is ethereal; swollen with air, it is the sort of bread you expect to hover 6 inches above the table. Poke your finger into the center of a slice and the indentation remains; so does your fingerprint. This was the bread of my youth, a companion, a talisman, the stuff of life.

Oh, I knew about other breads, even then. I knew about French and Italian breads, with their crusts like cast iron, their innards like sponge rubber. I knew about various health breads, with their implanted seeds and grainy fibers, their tendency to crack under the slightest pressure. I knew about them, and I ignored them, for they fell far short of my expectations.

You could take a slice of my malleable and, submissive bread, toast it, slather it with margarine, then hold it up and watch the center sink like a hammock. Now that was toast. You could take a fat pinch out of it, roll it between your fingers, place the resulting gray pellet into a pea shooter and inflict minor bodily harm on a classmate. You could take a slice or two, moisten them slightly, mold them

into a sphere, dump it into a skillet of seething grease and produce a fried bread ball, crisp and brown on the outside, tender and moist in the center.

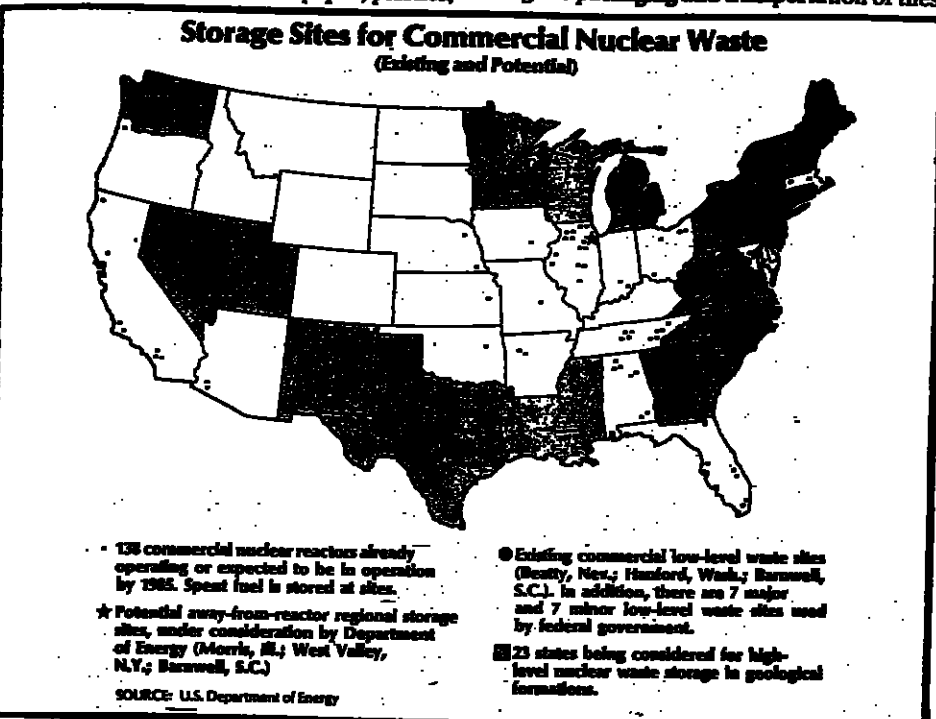
You could fry up a couple of slices of bologna until they were stiff and crackly, roll them into a slice of my bread, and have an ersatz hot dog superior to anything waved at you from the corner of Sixth Avenue and 49th Street. Or you could throw two mounds of cheap hamburger into the frying pan, shrink them to the size of ping-pong balls, dump them into the middle of a slice of my bread, throw on a dollop of mayonnaise, wrap the whole thing up, and hold in your dripping hands something that would cause Ronald MacDonald to cringe with envy.

Or sandwiches — my God, sandwiches. Take for example, strawberry omelette. For this, you would clasp a slice of my bread in one hand, slap on a pile of cheap supermarket-brand strawberry jam with the other, lay another slice on top of the whole mess, press down, and wait for it all to take on a spreading pink glow. Luscious. Then there was the peanut butter sandwich — the proper peanut butter sandwich. For this, you needed a slice of my bread, over which had been troweled a half-pound of unhomogenized peanut butter, rendering the slice torn and ragged. Another slice would be spread with an equal amount of margarine, and when it was all put together the sandwich, suitably done, would weigh in at no less than a full pound; when you held it at one end, it would bend at right angles.

None of the ethnic breads or health breads, however nutritious, however wholesome, however fibrous, could have been shaped and manhandled in such a way, giving meaning to my days and mouth.

The Center for Science in the Public Interest — obviously a tool of the nutrition cartel — has slandered a part of my heritage, and it shall be held accountable. Nutrition? I'll give you nutrition. How else do you suppose I grew up strong, 12 ways?

(T.H. Watkins is an editor and writer with *American Heritage* magazine. His wife makes him eat French bread, "which partly explains the tenor of this ill-tempered screed," he observes.)



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## IRAQ-SYRIA STRAIN

A short while after the outbreak of hostilities between Iraq and Iran, relations between Baghdad and Damascus have passed through a new phase of explicit threat and counter-threat, accusation and counter-accusation. The Syrian-Iraqi relations have been bad for a long time, but the Gulf war seems to be bringing matters to a dangerous point. The two countries have severed diplomatic links with each other at a time when Iraq and Iran, who are actually at war, have not yet done this.

Iraq's main accusation against Syria is that the latter supports Iran against a brotherly Arab state. Syria's reply is to accept it fully and without any regrets. The Iranian regime which calls the Iraqi one "atheist" hails its Syrian counterpart as truly Islamic.

The Iraqis have adopted a group of pro-Iraq Syrians calling itself "Committee for the Defense of Political Freedoms in Syria." The Syrians have replied by adopting "The National Patriotic Democratic Front" made up of several Iraqi opposition groups. The front has said that its aim was to topple the Baghdad regime.

Iraq accuses Syria of ingratitude. It claims to have defended Syria twice against Israeli attacks in 1967 and 1973. The Syrians say that Iraq's war against Iran is an evasion of the real task, which is that of ending Israel's aggression against Arab land. Iraq says this all very well for Syria to say; why does it not end Israel's aggression against its own Golan Heights, still occupied by the Israelis?

The slanging match between Iraq and Syria continues with each having its own aim. The Iraqi regime wants the toppling of both the Iranian and Syrian regimes. The Syrian regime wants the Iraqi one out of the way. The Iranian regime would very much like to see the Iraqi regime destroyed, but not the Syrian one.

By Della Denman

## PESHAWAR turned into 'a cloak-and-dagger town'?

One evening last month a group of Afghans in Peshawar, the capital of the Northwest Frontier Province, hijacked three trucks loaded with bed quilts as they were about to arrive at a Western-aided refugee hospital. The following day relief workers located the shipment in the hands of an Afghan rebel group, one of several based in Peshawar, and persuaded its leaders to return the quilts. But the fact that the goods had been driven up from Karachi port and had been rapidly unloaded at the group's headquarters gave rise to a suspicion that there was something other than bedding in the lorries.

The Islamabad government is constantly issuing statements that it will not allow Pakistan to be used as a conduit for arms to the Afghan rebels fighting against the Soviet-installed Kabul government. But President Zia ul-Haq was quoted in New York last month as saying that the Afghan freedom-fighters were buying weapons with Arab money and shipping them through Pakistan. "We have nothing to do with it," Zia said in an interview with *Time* magazine.

Previously Pakistan has officially denied all knowledge of any arms shipments to the fighters. For its part it does not supply them with weapons, a gesture which would be taken as direct provocation by the Soviet Union. And it is simply incapable of controlling the activities of Afghans in the semi-autonomous tribal areas alongside the Afghan border in the frontier and Baluchistan provinces. These areas are administered under treaties inherited from the British Raj and outside the jurisdiction of the federal government.

The most likely route for foreign arms would be the old opium trail from southern Baluchistan ports and coastal villages through to the Northwest Frontier. The entire 1400 miles of it is within the unpoliceable tribal belt. It would not be difficult to slip weapons through checkpoints and toll-gates.

This former proud outpost of the British Empire is shrouded in the usual atmosphere of intrigue and conspiracy which surrounds any gun-running and nobody is prepared to say openly what is going on. The only certainty is that cases of brand new, freshly greased, plastic-packaged Egyptian Kalashnikov rifles and rocket-propelled grenade launchers have been arriving in Afghanistan for over six months. Initially branded in Arabic "Made in Egypt," the latest shipments have been clear of all markings. There have been rumors that there might be an American connection to the operation.

The weapons appear to have been received by most of the six main rebel groups in Peshawar, 30 miles from the Afghan border, who in their turn pass them along to their fighters "inside." The whole operation has been covered in a smokescreen but one rebel group is suspected of transporting arms around the frontier in its ambulances. And it is thought that some medical supplies being sent across the border by Afghan health clinics in Peshawar may not only be dressings and drugs.

"Flying arms for the Afghans into Peshawar airport would be far too sensitive," said one Western Peshawar veteran. He also discounted a route through Karachi port due to the presence of hundreds of Russians working on a Russian-built steel mill there. "The Egyptian arms are probably arriving at Gwadar or other small harbors near the Ira-

nian border and being driven through to Quetta, the Baluchistan capital, and up to Peshawar."

The rebel groups stress that the supplies of foreign arms coming into the frontier are insignificant amounts. They have always relied largely on weapons made by local gunsmiths in Darra village in the tribal belt, and on guns captured from Afghan or Soviet troops or brought over to their side by Afghan defectors. Defections and desertions this year have reduced the Afghan army from 75,000 to 35,000. The Soviet command in Afghanistan recently removed all anti-tank and anti-aircraft weapons from Afghan army units to ensure they would not get into the wrong hands.

Some fighters have been seen using Finnish ammunition, former NATO 7.62 rifles, Chinese Kalashnikovs and SKS semi-automatic rifles, and American M 14 and M 1 Garand rifles. But these can be purchased on any international arms market and they are usually already well-used.

Rebel group leaders in Peshawar admit that they are receiving donations from private individuals in Arab states. They have also acted as guides to emissaries sent by interested countries to monitor the resistance inside Afghanistan.

The rivalry between the groups has apparently discouraged British politicians on the fringes of the Conservative Party who are keen to back the rebels. They have been told of the problems encountered by one French medical expedition. It was taken into Afghanistan by one rebel group, attacked by a rival organization, and shelled for an hour by Russian aircraft suspecting its mule train of carrying arms.

Attempts to create a credible common front have failed due to the divisions between the Islamic fundamentalist and the progressive Westernized

groups. The fact that the Peshawar leaders often do not represent the fighters in the field does not inspire confidence in would-be supporters.

Nevertheless the private money coming into the frontier for the purchase of arms has attracted international dealers, distributors, entrepreneurs, and "soldiers of fortune" unaware that the staunch Muslim rebels fighting their "Jihad" or holy war will have nothing to do with mercenaries whom they regard as "kafirs" or unbelievers.

Many of these agents masquerade as journalists. Their clandestine comings and goings are one of the few sources of amusement for the hard-working Western aid officials involved in the huge relief program for Pakistan's one million Afghan refugees.

"One is never quite sure who is in their true identity," said one Western aid official. "Peshawar has turned into a real cloak and dagger town."

The existence of Kabul government-backed saboteurs infiltrating refugee camps in the frontier has reportedly led to the arrest of 15 "Soviet spies." The authorities believe they may have been behind a series of mysterious explosions in the summer in refugee settlements, a police station, and the headquarters of one rebel group.

The Pakistan government has consistently denied charges from Kabul and Moscow that it is aiding and arming the Afghan fighters. But the frequent air violations by Soviet planes and two Soviet helicopter gunship attacks on Pakistani frontier posts at the end of September may force the government to adopt a sterner approach to any gun-running taking place on its territory. — (Guardian)

## Questioning quality of U.S. leadership

Spanish nor Arabic) and many other ambassadorial appointments followed for campaign supporters with little background in diplomacy.

Government policy is run, for all intents and purposes, by about 400 people. In the first year or so of any administration, the relationship between career veterans and political appointees is inevitably uneasy and suspicious. By the second year, they have gone through enough political battles together so that the distinction between the two begins to fade; the policy team grows into a committed, effective leadership instrument for the president in running the government.

However, this administration's actions seriously undercut Carter's aim of recruiting top talent for the executive branch. Foremost among them was the administration's federal pay policies. Executive-level pay has been frozen while inflation has relentlessly reduced purchasing power. Predictably, the better people in government have alternative opportunities that pay much better, and many leave.

There was also the intrusion of campaign politics into the selection of top appointees. At the time of the infamous purge of Joseph A. Califano Jr., the former secretary of the old Department of Health,

Education and Welfare, and W. Michael Blumenthal, former secretary of the treasury, a sharp increase in politicization occurred, including a White House requirement that all cabinet members submit a detailed rating of their subordinates; this resembled a sophomoric loyalty test.

It was accompanied by White House staff vetoes of proposed career appointees. Since that time, ambassadorial appointments abroad and top executive-branch jobs in Washington increasingly have been awarded to proteges of regional political leaders, women, and members of minorities, with only secondary consideration given to qualifications. Senior political appointees were experiencing inordinate difficulty in winning White House approval for key appointments, even at the deputy assistant secretary level.

No one opposes the objectives of affirmative action. However, as the Rev. Jesse Jackson, the civil rights leader, so eloquently points out, success lies in imaginative recruitment policies, continuous training opportunities, and affirmed commitment to excellence, not in establishing quotas.

A president's capacity to manage crises and lead depends upon his top management team. If it is a

streamlined, motivated, effective instrument, the president is effective; if it is weak, uncoordinated, dispirited, he is ineffective.

Government crises resulting from misunderstanding, crossed signals, or sudden reversals in policy direction have regularly dominated the headlines. It is not a coincidence that an administration that has abandoned the primacy of quality in establishing its policy-level team has reaped a harvest of crises resulting from inadequate performance by its key people.

The decline of great nations can invariably be traced to the decline of leadership. The Ottoman Empire, which stretched at one point from the Atlantic Ocean to the far side of the Indian Ocean, was a model of cohesion and excellent leadership. When the quality of leadership in Constantinople deteriorated, the elite Janissary corps became corrupted, the postal system deteriorated, the highways became ridden with potholes — the entire empire collapsed. Too many of the distressing symbols of Ottoman deterioration are found in America today.

The pursuit of excellence must once again be the banner that attracts the nation's "best and brightest" to Washington to serve President Reagan in the '80s. — (NYT)

## Saudi Arabian Press Review

*Al Riyadh* and *Al Nadwa* Tuesday led with the Saudi Arabian-Canadian joint communiqué issued following the visit of Canadian prime Minister Pierre Trudeau. Reports further highlighted Trudeau's press conference in which he declared that the Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories and Jerusalem formed the basic condition for the establishment of a lasting peace in the region. *Al Medina* ran as its lead story King Khaled's message to Syrian President Hafez Assad which was handed over by Prince Saud Al-Faisal, the foreign minister.

*Al Bilad* and *Okaz* used as their lead story a statement by Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan, who said the Kingdom would continue to develop its defense capabilities from various sources. *Al Jazirah* highlighted in its lead story Crown Prince Fahd's reaffirmation that the Arab summit conference would be held on time. Sporadic clashes between the Iraqi and Iranian forces formed the lead story in *Al Yom* newspaper.

Newspapers prominently displayed stories on the weekly meeting of the Council of Ministers which was reported to have heard a report on the rocket dropping incident in the Abdali area of Kuwait. The newspapers also gave front-page prominence to the Saudi Arabian-Canadian joint communiqué which held the international community responsible for finding a just solution to the Palestine issue. While *Al Riyadh* reported the deteriorating situation on the Tunisian-Libyan borders, *Okaz* highlighted

Israeli Premier Begin's declaration that Israel would not withdraw from the Golan Heights and Jerusalem would continue to remain under her control.

Newspaper editorials continued to comment on the upcoming Arab summit conference, saying it would symbolize the hopes of the Arab nation. Some newspapers commented on the Canadian premier's visit to the Kingdom, while others denounced Begin's latest remarks.

Dealing with King Khaled's message to Syrian President Assad, *Al Medina* observed that it demonstrated part of the Saudi Arabian diplomatic move. The paper thought it would not have been any problem if the question were connected with the majority of Arab leaders participating in the conference, since the Arab League has already received positive answers from at least 16 Arab states to take part in the conference. It said the Kingdom was anxious to hear the views of others so it could work for the causes of the Arab and Islamic nation. The paper urged all to rise to the challenge responsibly and to cast off all their differences for the common good of the nation.

On the same subject, *Al Nadwa* noted that the royal message to the Syrian leader gives a clear indication of Saudi Arabia's role in the realization of Arab solidarity. The paper added that the summit conference would face many issues in the wake of recent developments at both Arab and world levels. However, it held out the hope that Arab

leaders would be capable of eliminating their differences as they have done on previous occasions.

*Al Riyadh* dealt with the Canadian stance on the Middle East issue. The Canadians made it clear that an enduring peace could be established only after the Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab lands including Jerusalem. The Canadian government's announcement that the Camp David accords were not enough for peace was considered by the newspaper as Canada's effective participation with those who refuse to accept the Middle East drama. The paper referred to Trudeau's understanding of Saudi Arabia's role in the service of the prime cause of the Arabs, and said that an atmosphere of complete understanding has dominated the Canadian premier's talks with the Saudi Arabian leadership.

*Al Jazirah* focused attention on Israeli Premier Begin's recent statement on Jerusalem, regretting that Begin has once again renewed his notorious stance on the holy city — one that says the city would no longer be divided as it used to be before the 1967 war. His statement leaves no doubt as to the evil intentions of the Zionists on the occupied Arab lands, the paper added.

*Okaz* also touched on the same subject, expressing no surprise over Begin's statement. However, it added that the new element in the statement was that Begin chose the United States to declare his insistence on flouting the resolutions of the world body.



The Republican egg hatches... Kissinger II

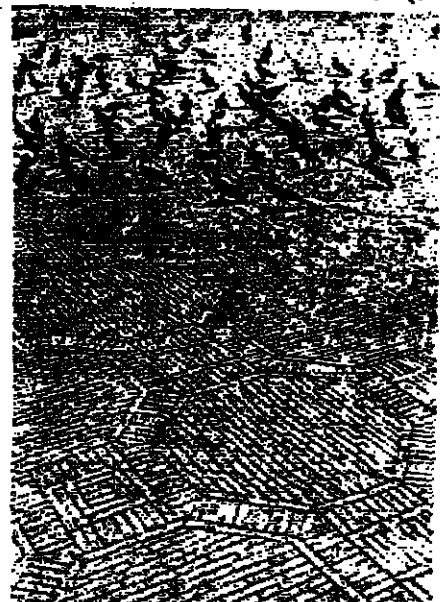
Al Medina

## In Lahore mosque

## A muezzin's memories lead to friendship

By Leo Jampoud

LAHORE — In Lahore, city of the learned and the religious in Pakistan, mosques are numerous, respected and well cared for. There are big mosques and small ones, new ones and old ones. For me nothing can surpass the refinement of the Moti Masjid (the



TILES: the mosaic pattern characteristic of Lahore

Pearl Mosque) at the Fort, or match the grandeur of the Badshahi where, on Id-ul-Fitr day, over 300,000 faithful gather to pray.

Yet it is always the Wazir Khan's mosque that we go back when we are in Lahore. Three hundred and fifty years old and buried in the heart of the city, it is the hidden jewel of Lahore. It is also a place where we meet a friend.

Lahore was a city in pre-Islamic times but the days of its greatness began when Emperor Akbar and his son Jahangir undertook the building of the fortress-palace. It was brought to completion by Emperor Shahjahan. Builder of the Taj Mahal, it was he who perfected

what may be called "the Moghul style," distinguished on the one hand by its carved and inlaid marble and, on the other by its mosaic tile-work, which is better represented in Lahore than anywhere else, and particularly at Wazir Khan's mosque.

Going to the mosque necessitates entering the very heart of the city. You do not barge into Lahore the way you would into another city. To appreciate her infinite charm and apprehend the sense of history that permeates her, you must meet her with all the respect due to her old age, and let yourself be guided at her own pace throughout the maze of narrow streets that eventually will take you to the mosque.

The tall houses, made of bricks and wood, are weathered by years of wear and tear. Here and there, in the recesses of old courtyards, elaborately carved window-frames and doorways date back to Akbar's time. But plaster lace from house front and balconies tends to peel off and steps and pieces of railings are missing from wooden stairs.

In spite of its tall minarets, the mosque is hard to see from a distance. Its surrounding walls are hollowed with small shops and lodging, small rooms where people sell, work, eat, pray and sleep. So much part of the city, the sanctuary is not a monument one enters formally but rather a familiar shelter, an island of peace one walks into on the way to work, either to pray or to meet friends.

By the entrance beggars sit in a row under a sign that says begging is forbidden near sacred mosques. When one receives a coin he goes to the nearest shop to get small change which he distributes to his fellow beggars.

The building is a riot of gay mosaic tile-work set in an architectural framework of unrelenting severity. Porches, minarets, inner walls are covered with enamelled tiles. As in a frozen garden, on a yellow background, white and blue flowers and arabesques are entwined in bouquets. Like the famous Hathi Pol (the Elephant Gate) of the Fort and the Chauraji Gate, the Wazir Khan's mosque presents a unique phase in the decorative art of the Moghul architecture.

This variegated glazed tile and mosaic work originates from Thatta in the Sindh and became popular in Lahore in the early 17th century. Such is the variety of designs and calligraphy, both in mosaic and fresco paint-



DOMES: the rooftops of Wazir Khan's mosque

ing at Wazir Khan's, that the sanctuary is a school of design in itself. It is here that cypress as a decorative motive on enamelled tiles first appeared.

The courtyard is an oasis of peace. Men and pigeons rise their feet at the same pond. Women sit and chat along shady walls. Children play and pigeons and doves suddenly take off in a general clapping of wings to perch under the bell-turrets of the minarets.

Of 'Ilmud Din Ansari, entitled Nawab

Wazir Khan, we know little except that he was a *hakim* (physician), and that he became Vizir of Punjab under Emperor Shahjahan. He inaugurated the mosque in 1634.

The man we come to see, and who has become our friend through our numerous visits, is the old muezzin of the mosque. The first time we came we had to sign the visitors' book, and on learning — from a friend who could read over his shoulder — that we came from Canada, he explained how, on his way back from the First World War, he had travelled through Canada. Of course he remembered no names and no places. But he had been there and was proud of it. That made us his friends.

He is tall and frail, white bearded and his feet seem never to have known shoes. With a nod and an undefinable smile over his weathered face he produces a large key from the folds of his *lungi*.

Silent like him and barefoot over the pigeon droppings we follow him across the courtyard, along dark corridors and up steps of cool stone softened by centuries of such silent bare feet. After a long climb in thick musty obscurity and through a sudden shaft of light, we emerge on top of Lahore.

A forest of chimneys, low walls, railings and TV antennas: a picture to paint in lines in Buffet or Carrouz fashion. Laundry hangs or lies flat, children's dresses, shapeless *shal-wars* or oversized *kameezes*. Gas and water pipes crisscross or run along together. Electric wires hang across the sky, entangled like cobwebs.

Far away, beyond the red columns of the Badshahi mosque and the monument to the Revolution, there are parks and gardens and elegant bungalows on green lawns, and beyond the silver line of the Ravi river there is the blue velvet line of the Punjab coun-



MUEZZIN: at the top of the minaret that he used to climb five times a day

tryside. But here, from the dark abysses of the streets come up, quietened, the cry to a vendor, the call of a water carrier, the lowing of a cow, the music of a wedding. From here we can see the reds and golds of the procession between the houses. Here the city life throbs in each stone.

This is the marvellous world of the roofs which belongs to women in *purdah* who come here to breathe, and to children who, like the Kim of Kipling a century ago, can jump from roof to roof, from house to house, so narrow are the streets of the old city.

But this is also the world of our friend, the mosque's old muezzin. The loudspeaker with

its black mouth wide opened behind our backs is relatively recent. It is progress and the muezzin is proud of it. But for many decades he climbed up the minaret five times a day, and before *asna*, he had ample time to look at his city, to know every detail of the rooftops' life.

Now he cups his hands around his mouth and mimics the way he used to shout his call in the direction of the holy Ka'aba. He has a last affectionate look at the city, and with a shrug and a chuckle he turns towards the stairs. *Salatul-Maghrib*: time to call the evening prayer, but not from here any more, from the microphone downstairs.



LAHORE: a street scene beside the mosque

## If nothing else cures you, try the writers' workshop

Did your painting instructor suggest that you take up knitting? Has your drill sergeant asked you to take an extended furlough, and did your brother write you a short letter asking you to not send any more of your photographic work to him since he can't make out the pictures? Do your pies look like they could be sold for sandals after you spent all day in the kitchen getting the recipe just right?

Have no fear, for you can always find your way to the hallowed halls of Sandia City's Rec villa (NE 3-40) for a meeting of the Writers' Workshop from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19. All members of the community are welcome free of charge. For additional information call either Mahmud Abdullah at 660 4600 ext. 3089 or Alan Kenney at 653-4743/3723/4539.

## Arab News Diary

By Raana Siddiqi

**JEDDAH:** Habib Chatti, Secretary General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference held a reception last Wednesday in honour of the visiting Director General of UNESCO, Ahmed Mukhtar M'bou. The function was attended by a large number of local officials and dignitaries, members of the diplomatic corps and OIC officials. The reception was held at the local Meridian Hotel.

Social workers at the Khairiyah Women's Welfare Society on Mecca Road have been busy preparing children's party to be held on November 20 at 3.00 p.m. Girls of all ages and boys up to the age of ten can look forward

to an afternoon of fun and games and prizes galore. Entrance by ticket costs SR10.

Thursday, November 20 is also your last chance to watch Set's production of *Ahmad Feroz Singhar* at the British Embassy open theatre. Tickets are available from 10.00 a.m. to noon at the British Embassy and at the door. Curtain goes up at 8.00 p.m.

Nissa Ricci and the Carven Boutiques at the Redec center are having an end of season clearance sale till November 28. Everything is reduced and discounts of 20 to 40 per cent are being offered.

1WG's coffee morning will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Madinah Road on Saturday, November 29 at 10.00 a.m.

The ALJ annual bazaar is scheduled to be held at PCS on November 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. Adults pay a nominal entrance fee of SR5.00 while children will be admitted free.

The British community wives' coffee morning will be held on Monday December 1 at 10.30 a.m. in the Ambassador's garden. At the meeting Bazaar preparations will be discussed. The British Bazaar is planned for Thursday, December 4 at 4.00 p.m. at the British Embassy. British community wives have put many hours of hard work into sewing, embroidering, knitting and similar crafts to prepare items for sale. There will be food, games, a puppet show and loads of fun and other activities. The proceeds will be donated to charity so come and make it a success.

International Expo Center will be the venue of the week long Austrian National Exhibition from Saturday November 22 through November 27. On display will be industrial and consumer goods. The highlights of the opening on November 22 include a firework display at 8.00 p.m. The Al-Badr Sheraton Hotel will serve Austrian specialities at the Okaz Restaurant for the duration of the Exhibition.

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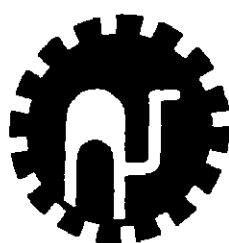
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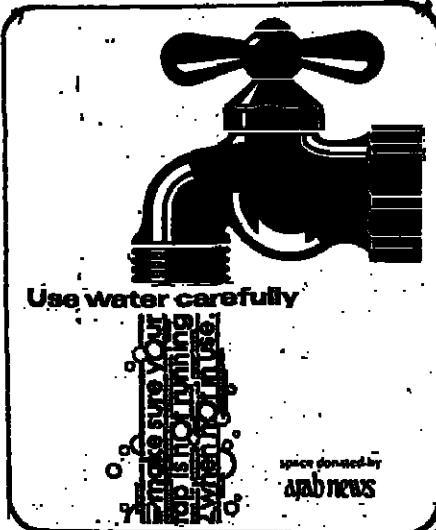
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## Resettlement quarrel rages

## Viet refugees stranded on book ship

BANGKOK, Nov. 18 (AFP) — More than 90 refugees saved from drowning in the South China Sea by a group of charity workers are stranded on a small steamer in Bangkok harbor while governments wrangle about who should take them.

The 93 Vietnamese, ranging in age from almost 80 to two months, were picked up almost seven weeks ago from two fishing boats after they had run out of food, water and fuel. Their rescuer was the *Logos*, a floating bookshop owned by the London-based

Christian Charity Educational Book Exhibits (EBE).

The matter was complicated because the ship, which tours Asian ports with its cargo of educational and religious books, flies the Singapore flag, but both Thailand and Singapore refuse to accept the refugees until another country agrees to resettle them.

The *Logos*, which normally carries about 40 people, cannot put to sea again as it has insufficient lifeboats to take its extra passen-

gers, and is now awaiting a decision from London, where talks are taking place between the Singapore high commission there and the British government.

The EBE board of directors is also involved and someone from the *Logos* has flown to London to consult with them and, as director on the *Logos* Allan Adams puts it, "To clear up any misapprehensions the British government might have been willing to labor under."

## Mrs. Thatcher, Schmidt reach identity of views

BONN, Nov. 18 (AFP) — Two days of talks between Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher ended here Monday with both leaders stating that the talks had revealed a broad identity of views on subjects discussed. These included the major international and economic problems and European questions.

"We have international uncertainties," Mrs. Thatcher told a joint press conference. "The uncertainty of the Afghanistan situation and everything that reveals. There are certain internal uncertainties in Eastern Europe. We must try to enlarge the areas of stability in the world. The European Economic Community is one such stable area — stable politically and I think stable economically."

"Britain is totally committed to Europe, to the Common Market idea and not only to it as a political idea. Many of our jobs in the United Kingdom depend upon the trade we do with Europe."

Answering a question, she ruled out the likelihood of any repetition of the "Guadeloupe 2" meeting between Britain, France, West Germany, and the United States in the immediate future.

"We have sufficient international meetings in the coming six or seven months," she said.

Schmidt, referring to the U.S. presidential changeover and its possible consequences for Washington's European allies, said that Bonn, and London looked forward "with confidence" to the continuance of U.S.-West European cooperation.

On economic questions, both Britain and West Germany were concerned with the international recession and balance of payments problems. They were "equally determined" to fight inflation and would not tolerate protectionism of any kind.

## Food worries tall girl

YUANJIANG, China Nov. 18 (AP) — At age 16, Tseng Chin-Lien does not worry about finding a husband someday, she worries about getting enough to eat. She and her family, who live on an island commune in a lake in northern Hunan province, also are used to people looking in the windows of their house. They say that some days there are hundreds.

China's *Health News* ran a picture and a short article about Miss Tseng in October, saying that at 2.35 meters she was taller than the tallest girl in the *Guinness Book of Records*. That measurement was taken in 1978, her family says, and she now is 2.4 meters tall.

*Guinness* lists Sandy Allen, 2.31 meters, of Shelbyville, Indiana, as tallest.

Miss Tseng, who weighs 247 kilograms, has been living at home since her recent graduation from junior high school because she suffers from diabetes.



Prime Minister Thatcher



Chancellor Schmidt

## British defense official disappears

LONDON, Nov. 18 (AFP) — A little more than a week ago, James Campbell, 63, an official in the intelligence service of the British Defense Ministry was seen at the Bishop's Stortford station waiting for the train to London. That was the last time anyone was reported to have seen him and, eight days later and despite an intensive search police have still found no trace of him.

Security men at all ports and airports were alerted immediately after Campbell's disappearance was reported to authorities late last Monday by his wife. A son, James, said that his father was a calm man, without problems and, in respect to his work, highly secretive. An older son, Peter said that his father had given no sign of unhappiness or dissatisfaction.

## Greece schedules debate on melee

ATHENS, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — The Greek government said Tuesday it was determined to enforce law and order and stamp out what it called acts of terrorism following rioting on Sunday in which a woman was killed and at least 200 people injured.

A government statement said there would be a parliamentary debate on the riots. The government spokesman said it would probably be held next week.

The spokesman's announcement came shortly after Public Order Minister Dimitrios Davakis said police "may have over-reacted" against rioters. An investigation has been opened to determine how a peaceful demonstration, commemorating the bloody suppressed student revolt against a military regime of seven years ago, degenerated into street fighting.

A special investigation is to be conducted concerning the circumstances of the death of 20-year-old Stamatina Kanellopoulou, whose fiancé charged that she had been "savagely beaten" by police. A funeral was held for the young woman Monday.

The riots began when a group of what the government statement called about 2,000 anarchists and left-wing extremists tried to break through a strong police cordon and march on the American Embassy at the end of a mass student rally. The march had been organized to commemorate the seventh

anniversary of a student revolt against the country's former military rulers.

Police made repeated baton charges and used armored vehicles to break down makeshift barricades. A group of policemen opened fire with pistols when they were cornered by rioters.

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## Quake study underway

HONG KONG, Nov. 18 (AFP) — The United States and Communist China have started their first joint research project in earthquake prediction with the arrival in Peking of a three-man scientific team from Columbia University, it was learned here Tuesday.

Led by geophysics Professor John T. Kuo, the Columbia team will work with Chinese scientists to determine how minute changes in the strength of the earth's gravity at specific locations may be related to the occurrence of earthquakes. American consular sources said. Kuo's counterpart in China is Professor Gu Gung-Xu, director of the Institute of Geophysics of the State Seismological Bureau which supports the research in conjunction with the U.S. National Science Foundation.

## Women picket Pentagon on defense hikes

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 (R) — Scores of women protesting against any increase in U.S. military spending were arrested Monday during a demonstration outside the Pentagon. Some of them were jailed for 10 days by federal magistrates on charges of blocking entrances to a federal building.

The demonstration by nearly 2,000 women was staged to coincide with President-elect Ronald Reagan's first visit to Washington since his election. He has promised increases in defense spending after he takes office on Jan. 20.

Reagan was to meet leaders of Congress

Tuesday for his first time as president-elect, apparently intent on setting the stage for quick action on his economic proposals once he takes office in January. Reagan had a busy schedule of sessions with both Republican and Democratic legislators at the capitol building at the start of a four-day Washington visit during which he will confer with President Jimmy Carter on Thursday.

In arranging the congressional meetings and a second visit to Capitol Hill Wednesday Reagan seemed anxious to set up friendly relations with Congress and avoid the problems caused for Carter by his seeming aloof-

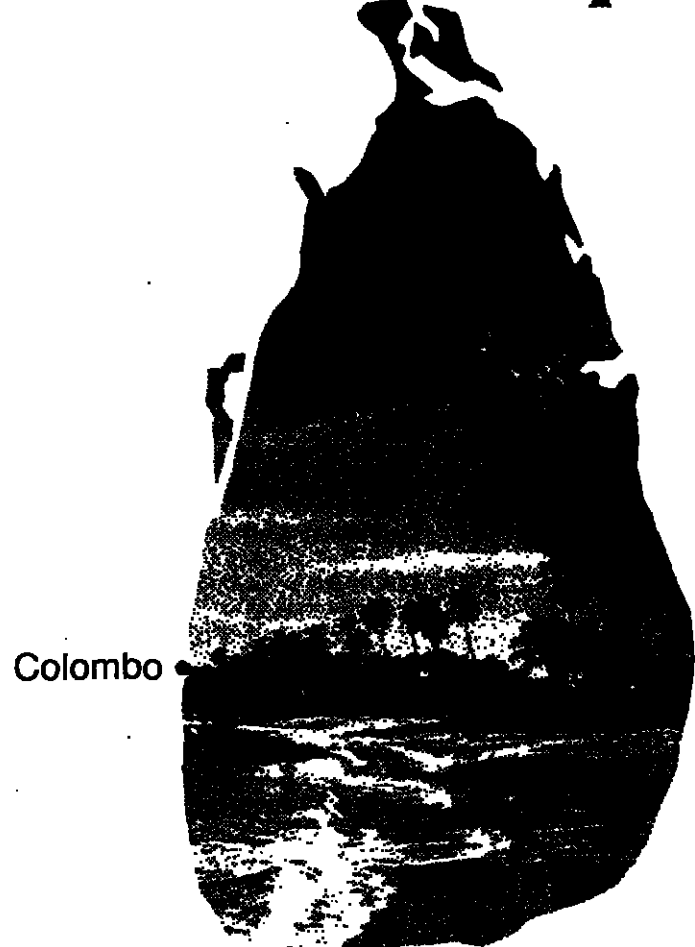
ness when he first became president.

Reagan and his wife, Nancy, arrived in Washington Monday night on their first visit since his landslide victory two weeks ago.

The outgoing Carter administration may steal some of Reagan's defense thunder however, with a \$200 billion military budget for next year, Pentagon officials said. While no final decisions have been made, the officials said the budget proposal, which will be one of Carter's final acts in office, will probably call for an increase of around \$40 billion over the \$160-billion budget for the present financial year.

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For their reception at the hotel was Mr. Mohamed Awad Al Ahmary, the General Manager of the Establishment.

Delsey is one of the oldest international specialist companies manufacturing bags and cases. It was established

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# Fear of doomsday enriches American

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 18 (LAT) — The warehouse in nearby Carson is stocked with shelves of air-dried and freeze-dried foods. For \$1.525 you can buy a small mountain of the stuff that will provide a 2,400-calorie-a-day diet for one person for a year. Almost everything else you might need if and when the expected apocalypse arrives is on these shelves, too.

There are old-fashioned washboards, disposable obstetrical kits, long plastic tubes in which you can bury all your valuables until it is safe to dig them up again, \$300 crossbows for hunting or silently dispatching an enemy, \$90 radiation suits for the aftermath of a possible nuclear attack, books that will teach you everything from dressing hogs to making violins.

The company is called Survival, Inc., and the man who owns it is Bill Pier, 42-year-old Mormon. About 12 years ago, before the survivalist movement got rolling, Pier had a little company called Family Food Reserves. During the depression it became Mormon doctrine to stockpile a year's supply of food and other essentials and Pier was just one of many Mormon businessmen making a living selling the faithful the supplies they needed. But the business has changed completely in the last couple of years, doubling last year and the year before, and Pier says he now has the largest-selling "complete line" of survival goods in the country.

Only about 3 per cent of his customers are Mormons now, he adds, and there's no church mandate behind most of the 5,000 orders that come in each month. There is only the growing fear behind the phenomenon known as survivalism that some kind of spectacular national disaster is on its way.

Pier is very much convinced of this pending

doom himself. Ironically, although his company's success has made him wealthy, he'd rather be hundreds of miles away from this warehouse that would be such a rich prize for the hungry mobs he thinks will come storming through the streets in the wake of the disaster he anticipates. He and his family would have already left Los Angeles if it weren't for his commitments, Pier says. But in another year or so he should have everything in order, then he'll be able to move his wife and five children to the 60-acre retreat he purchased in Oregon. He has a three-year supply of food and 5,000 gallons of gasoline there and what he describes simply as an "adequate" defense arsenal, which he expects he will have to use against others who have not had the wisdom to prepare for the worst.

"There are many scenarios of what might happen," he says. "My own thinking is that the economic situation is going to get to a breakdown point, which will lead to civil disorders. The situation is already bad. I think we're talking 30 or 36 months."

Doomsday could come at any time, according to some of those busily profiting from its possible arrival and preparing themselves to survive it. There could be a series of natural disasters, or some global economic collapse, or maybe a brief but total nuclear war. Then it will come down to the final struggle. The people who have not had the foresight to stockpile food and medical supplies and weapons will come howling out of the wreckage of the cities, searching out those who have accumulated the materials necessary for staying alive. And when that happens, well, according to men like Bill Pier, the haves and the have-nots will probably end up fighting to the death.

## Life vests in every compartment High cost, age halt London-Paris 'Boat Train'

DOVER, England, Nov. 18 (LAT) — For years, the most elegant way to travel between London and Paris was on the "Boat Train," one of Europe's last luxury express trains.

Passengers included Queen Elizabeth II, who as a princess made her first visit to Europe on the cross-channel express, and such other personages as the Duke of Windsor, prime ministers, film stars and countless millionaires.

The train, with its blue coaches and gold piping, once made a special stop in the south of England to pick up Prime Minister Winston Churchill, and it was said that Adolf Hitler planned to make a triumphant arrival in England aboard the Boat Train.

Every evening, the trains, known officially as the night ferry, would leave Victoria Station in London and the Gare du Nord in Paris. Passengers awoke the following morning in the other capital.

The Boat Train was perhaps the only train in the world equipped with life jackets and bags to be used in case of seasickness.

Now the Boat Train has gone the way of the Orient Express and other European luxury trains. It made its last run two weeks ago.

"It's a matter of economics, a British Rail official said the other day. "Traffic has been falling — 33,000 passengers in 1977 to

27,000 last year. Once it was the only way to go for posh people, and I expect there were certainly some antics on the train in its time. But now it's a bit of an anachronism."

"The rolling stock is all very old and due for replacement, and we just can't afford that kind of capital investment now."

The service began on Oct. 14, 1936, after plans for a tunnel under the English Channel fell through. It was a three-way collaboration between Southern railway of Britain, the Chemin de Fer du Nord (Northern Railway) of France, and the Compagnie Internationale des Wagons-Lits, the international sleeping car company.

Special sleeping cars were built in France. They are narrower than the regular continental cars to enable them to pass through Britain's tunnels and bridges, which are narrower than those on the continent. Britain's Southern Railway built three special ferries to transport the sleeping cars across the Channel between Dover and Dunkirk. Special docking facilities were built at both ports to provide for loading and unloading.

In its postwar heyday, the Boat Train consisted of 19 cars, including mail cars, sleepers, a buffet and sit-up coaches, one sleeping car was detached from the train in France and went to Brussels.

The trains were pulled by "lord

Nelson"-cars steam locomotives until 1959, when the English line was electrified. The train was originally staffed by the French and had luxurious dining cars, but in 1977 the British took over and the restaurant service was dropped.

To take the Boat Train from London, you arrived at Victoria Station near Buckingham Palace and went through immigration formalities before boarding.

A first-class compartment to Paris cost about \$158 at the current rate of exchange — which is considerably more than air fare. Yet it was not exorbitant considering the cost of a first-class hotel room in Paris or London.

Your berth was made up before you boarded the train, and steward Alec Tabet, a Briton of French descent, would point out, as he did on a recent trip: "Sir, your compartment is over the wheels, which makes for a rougher ride. I can shift you further forward. There's an empty room."

At precisely 9:25 p.m. the stationmaster would blow a whistle and the Boat Train would move out of the station and over a bridge that crosses the Thames. The lights of Albert Bridge would be — littering off to the west.

The train picked up speed as it clacked along through the English countryside,

swaying as it went. "For these old coaches," steward Tabet said, "the speed is a bit much. I think the engineers who live in Dover want to get home as soon as possible."

When the boat train arrived at Dover, at 10:50 p.m., switch engines pushed the sleeping cars onto the tracks aboard the ferry, where the coaches were lashed to the deck and then jacked up in order to lift the sleepers off their springs. This made the cars as rigid as the ship and kept them from swaying independently.

The ferry's bar and the duty-free shops were open for business, and passengers could go out on deck and enjoy the sight of the white cliffs of Dover, dark and silvery in moonlight.

In the lounge of the ferry, the French bartender noted that the cross-Channel passage could take anywhere from 2 to 12 hours, depending on the weather.

At Dunkirk, the debarkation process began, using switch engines that were made in the United States and delivered to France after the Normandy landings in 1944.

The train glided to a smooth stop at 8:30 a.m., at the Gare du Nord, and the Boat train passengers, joined commuters in the streets.

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## Japan eases exports of vehicles to U.S.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 (AFP) — Japan has formally told the United States that it has asked its own car makers to go easy on exports to the American market, an authoritative source said here Tuesday.

Trade and Industry Minister Rokusuke Tanaka sent a letter to Reuben Askew, U.S. special trade representative, praising the "responsible" stance by the U.S. International Trade Commission which came out against curbs on vehicle from Japan.

He told Askew his own government was urging the Japanese auto industry to be "prudent" over sales to the United States, to step up its purchasing of components within the United States and to increase its financially viable investments in the U.S.

Tanaka also said his government would continue its attempts to smooth access to the Japanese market for American producers. These assurances from Tokyo coincided with pressure in the United States and Western Europe to restrict the intake of Japanese vehicles.

Tuesday, for example, the U.S. House of Representatives begins hearings designed to show whether Congress should impose such

restrictions. And the question of Japanese car exports is to the foreign half-yearly consultations now in progress here between officials of the United States and the European Economic Community (EEC).

The EEC authorities have already indicated that they may be obliged to curb certain imports from Japan, particularly cars, if Japan fails to keep down its shipments.

Tuesday team from the West European Motor Industry was beginning talks in Tokyo with colleagues in the Japanese auto sector.

## U.S. banks raise rate to 16.25%

NEW YORK, Nov. 18 (R) — Several major banks lifted their prime lending rate to 16.25 from 15.5 per cent Monday, continuing a surge in U.S. interest rates. The increase reflected strong demand for business loans and the higher cost of borrowing from the Federal Reserve, the nation's central bank, which raised its discount rate from 11 to 12 per cent Friday, economists said.

The authorities have been trying to damp down on growth in the money supply to try to prevent a resurgence of inflation as the U.S. recovers from recession. Their action has helped drive up short-term interest rates. Bankers and economists had expected an increase in the prime, the rate the banks charge on loans to their best customers, following the rise in the discount rate.

## Supertankers storage for oil in Japan

TOKYO, Nov. 18 (R) — Japan moved Tuesday to add 11 million barrels of oil to its government strategic stockpile in supertankers anchored offshore. The official Japan National Oil Corporation (JNOC) asked local governments in Southern Japan for permission to place seven tankers in Oita bay on the east coast of Kyushu Island.

The government already has 19 tankers anchored near Nagasaki and two others under a scheme to build a floating stockpile which will total 43 million barrels, or about 10 days' supply, when the seven ships intended for Oita bay are in place.

A JNOC spokesman said it was hoped that this would be by the end of the year.

The government strategic stock pile will be in addition to commercial stocks of oil and products which are now at record levels of more than 100 days' supply.

Japan imports almost all its oil and the government plans to raise stock levels during the next two to three years to 150 days demand to protect the country against interruption to supplies.

Local fishermen oppose the plan to anchor seven tankers in Oita bay but the JNOC is offering to pay 100 million ¥450,000 per tanker in compensation. A JNOC spokesman said local authorities are expected to accept the plan.

The New York oil industry newsletter Petroleum Intelligence weekly said last week that Japan had reduced the volume of oil for the stockpile being bought this year by 25 per cent following the outbreak of the Iran-Iraq war.

## BRIEFS

PARIS, (R) — France has won a \$150 million contract for the construction of a telephone network in Iraq, the French Thomson-CSF electronics an engineering firm said Monday. Thomson-CSF will build 27 microwave telephone exchanges in Baghdad and other Iraqi cities with a total of 315,000 lines, the company said.

ROME, (R) — Emergency food aid worth \$250,000 will be shipped to the Central African Republic to help feed refugees from civil disorders in Chad, the U.N.'s Rome-based World Food Program (WFP) said Tuesday.

CAIRO, (R) — Egypt will raise crude oil prices by two dollars a barrel next month and more increases are expected next year, a spokesman for the Egyptian Petroleum Cor-

poration (EGPC) said Tuesday. The spokesman, Abdel Rahman Abdel Nabi, said current crude oil prices range between \$24 and \$34 a barrel. He said in the light of offers received from oil companies, further increases were expected next year.

MUSCAT, Oman, (R) — A senior Omani foreign ministry official said Monday it would not be in the Arab interest to use oil a political weapon as there were other means of promoting Arab causes.

ANKARA, (R) — A Greek tanker and an Italian freighter collided in the straits of Dardanelles shortly after midnight Monday Turkish radio reported Tuesday. Officials said heavy fog had engulfed the straits since early Monday. There were no casualties on either vessel, they said.

## Higher rates paid on freight by Japanese, Chinese, Europeans

LONDON, Nov. 18 (AFP) — Sharply higher rates were paid on the freight market last week by Japanese, Chinese and European charterers to cover grain and coal shipments from the United States. Congestion at Hampton roads, the major U.S. coal loading region, with delays of up to 30 or 40 days, continued to tie up tonnage.

The "Panamax" up to 80,000 tons' sizes, capable of transiting the Panama canal, were reported to be urgently needed for coal movements. But many negotiations were strictly confidential.

Chinese charterers, considered the shrewdest in the market, paid \$9,300 a day for a 26,000 tonner to make a trip from Greece to the U.S. and then to China. But on the single voyage, they were forced to concede \$46.60 a ton for a 29,000 tonner to lift grain out of the U.S. gulf, over five dollars more than the last comparable fixture in mid-October.

In the Trans-Atlantic grain trade, between the U.S. Gulf and Europe, a 65,000 tonner was paid \$21, per five dollars more than paid earlier in the month, and just \$2.75 below the record established in June.

The U.S. Gulf to Japan grain rate, jumped six dollars to \$36.25 for 30,000 tonners, while to Taiwan it rose around two dollars compared with a month ago, to \$44.25 a ton for a 27,000 tonner. The notification of the closure dates for the great lakes brought out more enquiry in its sector and grain rates moved up 1.50 dollars to Europe, compared with three weeks earlier when \$32.51 a ton was agreed.

The large U.S. grain companies ability to switch their cargoes away from the expensive U.S. Atlantic and U.S. Gulf regions to the Pacific coast also resulted in busier conditions on that side and slightly firmer payments. For example, a 16,500 tonner to Japan received \$26.50 ton, up 50 cents on last-done business.

## U.K. reports trade surplus of \$1.1 billion

LONDON, Nov. 18 (R) — Britain has announced a record \$1.1 billion surplus in trade with the rest of the world in October. On the surface the figures seemed surprising in view of the strong pound sterling recently which has made British exports more expensive and angered industrialists here who say they are finding it difficult to compete abroad.

Monday's statistics showed that exports fell last month and it was an even bigger fall in imports, as recession bites. North Sea Oil is also helping to keep export earnings up.

If so-called invisibles — insurance, banking, shipping and tourism — are included, the balance of payments current account surplus totalled \$1.28 billion for the month, the department of trade said.

## Rallis lauds Greek membership in EEC

ATHENS, Nov. 18 (R) — Greek entry as a member of the European Economic Community (EEC) next January will have far-reaching effects on the country's political and economic life, Prime Minister George Rallis' conservative government has described full membership as a political and economic necessity for the country, which has been an associate member since 1962.

Political advantages, as seen by the government, include the opportunity of Greece to influence European Economic and political decisions. It also believes Greek democracy will be consolidated by association with European democratic institutions. The government

feels that, once the country's economy is geared to the EEC, potential dictators will be deterred by the possibility of expulsion from the community.

Economic advantages include substantial benefits from gaining free access to the vast European market. At the same time, Greece will benefit from the modern technology of the developed European countries.

Greece will also give considerable assistance under the community's Common Agricultural Policy in tackling the problems of its agricultural sector. According to professor Xenophon Zolotas, governor of the Bank of Greece, the country would receive a net \$440 million a year through the community's

funds and banks, not including financing of Greek firms by the European investment bank.

Greece's entry is opposed, however, by the country's two main opposition parties. The Panhellenic Socialist movement of Andreas Papandreou and the Greek Communist Party which together hold 105 of the 300 seats in parliament.

Papandreou has said that should he come to power he will hold referendum for full membership of the market.

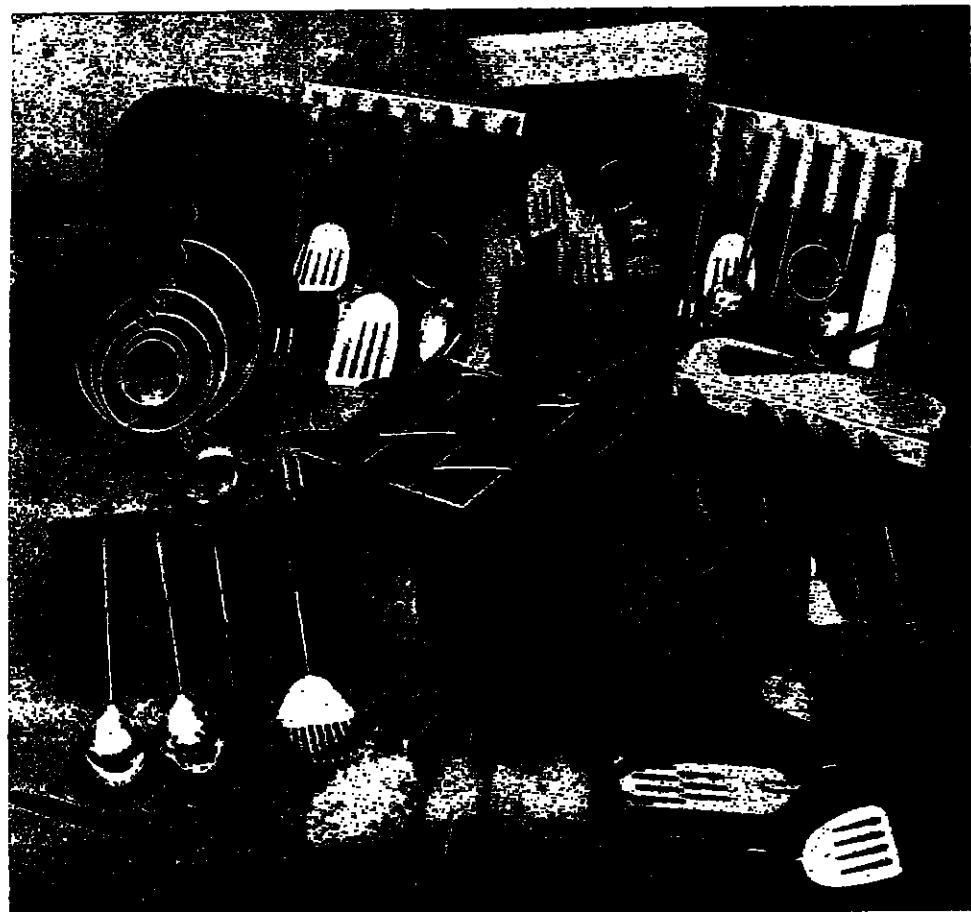
The KKE, which took almost 10 per cent of the votes in 1977, is completely opposed to membership, fearing it will take Greece further into the Western fold.

### Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 6:00 P.M. Tuesday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	8.50	8.50	8.55
Belgian Franc (1,000)	107.00	—	—
Canadian Dollar	2.79	—	—
Deutsche Mark (100)	172.00	175.00	172.60
Dutch Guilder (100)	154.00	162.50	159.34
Egyptian Pound	—	4.40	4.45
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	89.00	90.20
French Franc (100)	74.00	75.00	74.70
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	75.00	—
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	43.00
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Israeli Sheqel (100)	—	9.50	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	36.00	37.00	36.60
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.50	—	15.80
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.06	11.02
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	—	12.36
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	94.00	92.70
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	83.00	81.70
Pakistan Rupee (100)	—	—	33.70
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	44.50
Pound Sterling	7.93	8.06	7.98
Omani Rial (100)	—	91.40	91.00
Singapore Dollar	—	—	1.58
Spanish Peso (1,000)	—	44.50	45.75
Swiss Franc (100)	192.00	196.00	192.35
Syrian Lira (100)	—	77.00	85.50
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	44.00	—
U.S. Dollar	3.32	3.33	3.325
Yemeni Rial (100)	—	71.15	72.95
Gold kg.	—	65,900.00	—
10 Tolas bar	—	7,700.00	—
Silver kg.	—	—	—

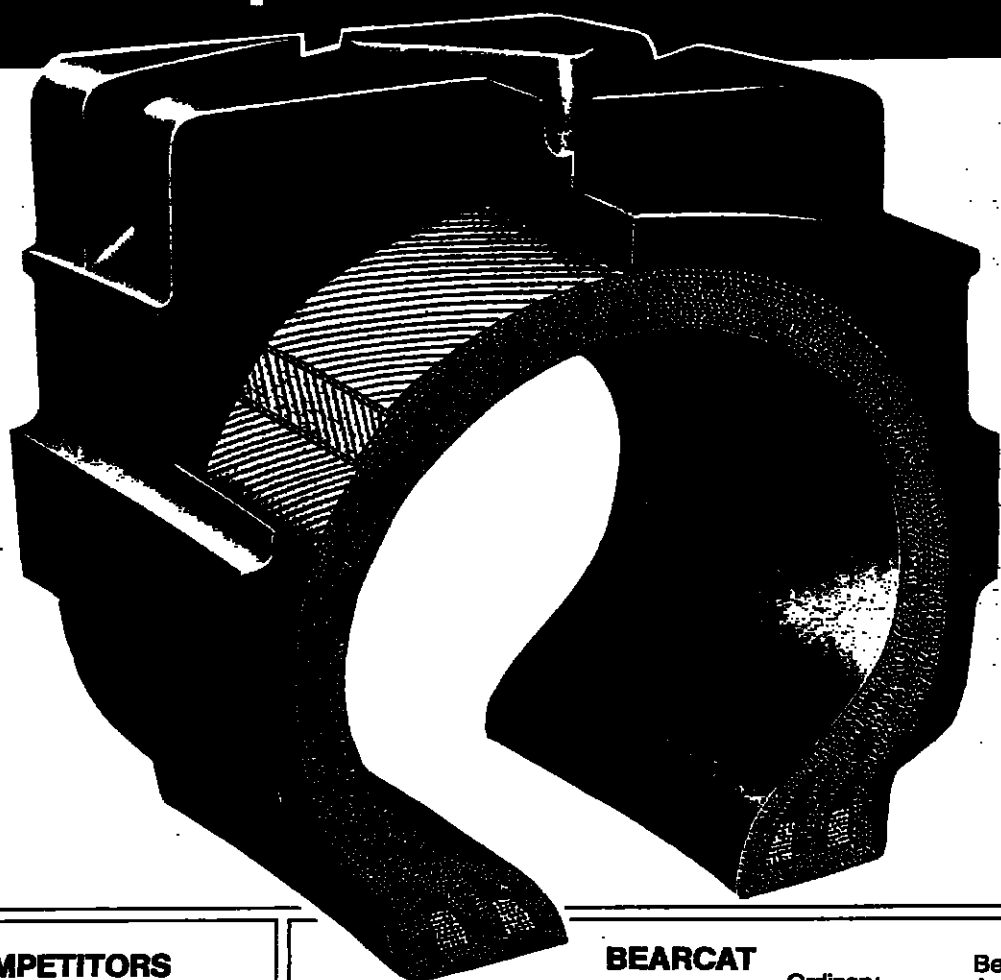
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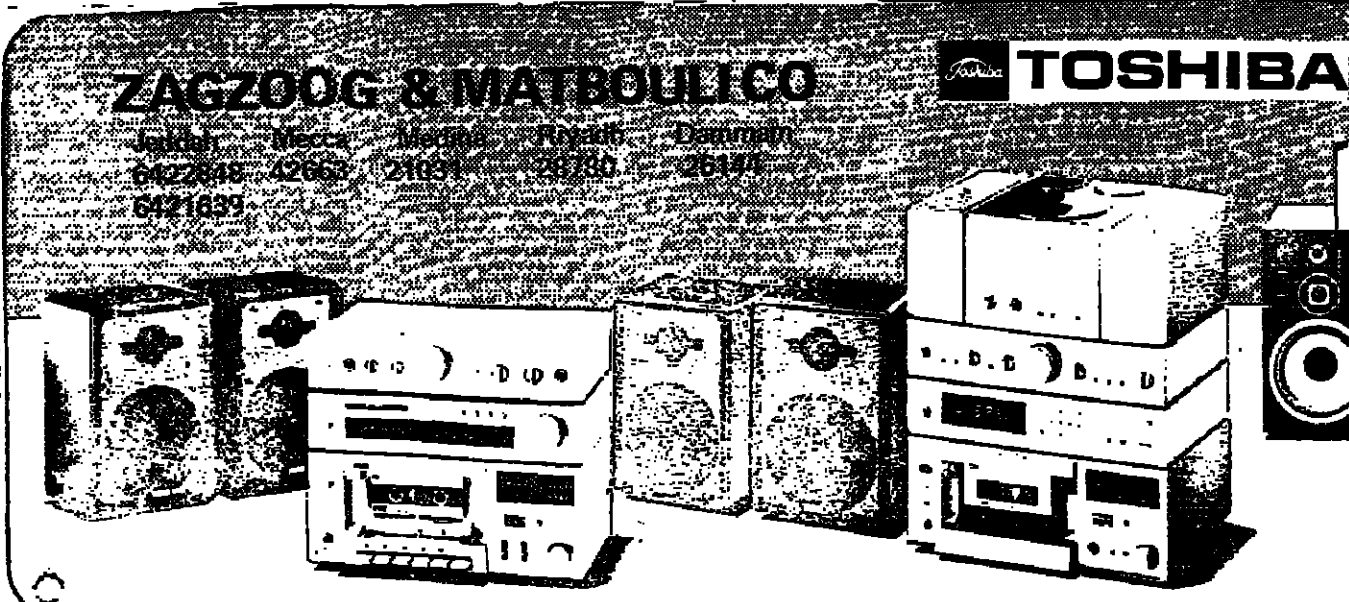


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# Ittihad relaxes, ties Shabab; Ahli wins

By Munir Muhammad Ali

JEDDAH, Nov. 18 — During the football league mid-week matches, Ittihad disappointed its fans by drawing 0-0 against Shabab here Monday. Nasr reorganized its ranks and triumphed 4-0 over Jabalein in Hail, while Ahli won 1-0 against Riyadh in Riyadh Monday.

Two more matches will conclude the mid-week session. Hilal will face Nahda, a team well known for drawing most of its matches, in Riyadh. Ittihad will play against Qadisiyya in Dammam. After Ittihad's draw Monday, Ittihad will take the lead if it wins the game to be played Tuesday night. Qadisiyya is posing in the fourth place and has its eye on the higher places.

Jeddah stadium was packed with fans who came to see a repeat of Ittihad's strong performance against Nasr Friday but they only saw a draw. Tamin, Ittihad's striker, was paralyzed by Shabab's defense led by Ibrahim Tahsin. The two teams equally shared control of game.

Another disappointment for soccer fans was Ahli's poor performance against Riyadh. Ahli's goal, coming in the third minute of the game, was mistaken as offside by Riyadh's defense. After Ahmad Al-Sagor, Ahli's mid-field player, headed the ball home, Riyadh's players planted the ball to kick an offside although the referee and linemen did not decide in their favor.

In its first win this season, Ahli played without its main strikers, Amin Dabu and Imad Khojali. Zino, the Brazilian player, retreated back to defense leaving Sagor upfield.

After the worst defeat ever suffered by Nasr — the Ittihad 5-1 loss to Friday — the team returned to its strong form, defeating Jabalein 4-0 in Hail Monday. In the 23rd minute of the first half, Darwish Said scored Nasr's first goal after a foul. Jabalein did not surrender to Nasr's powerful comeback but returned strong attacks. However, in the last quarter of the match, Majid Abdullah, the Kingdom's international striker, added three goals, boosting his team's image.



(Photo by Muhammad Ibrahim)

TIE: As Shabab's defense tied Ittihad's attackers, Osman Marzouq, Ittihad mid-field player, seemed the only one active. Osman is seen kicking the ball, while Tamin Lahzami, Ittihad's striker, stands by the referee.

For World Cup qualifier

## Belgians, Dutch ready

PARIS, Nov. 18 (AFP) — European World Cup football action tops the bill on Wednesday night with six matches, covering five of the continent's seven qualifying groups being played.

The Group Two clash between old rivals and neighbors Belgium and the Netherlands is the most eye-catching of the six, with Eire entertaining Cyprus, in the same section.

Belgium, runner-up in the recent European nations championships, has made a confident start to its campaign, drawing 1-1 with improving Eire in Dublin, while World Cup runner-up the Netherlands was less fortunate against the same side in their only match to date, losing 2-1, also in Dublin.

Belgium manager Guy Thys has been able to name an injury-free squad for his side's first home match, and with a settled formation is confident of defeating the doubt-ridden Dutch.

Group leader Eire will be looking to give its goal difference a significant boost against Cyprus, who to date have conceded 10 goals in two home matches.

The Cypriots, who lost 7-0 to France at home in their last match, are without their Greek-based players and have considerably

reshuffled their defense.

In Group Three, leader Wales, with four points from two matches against Iceland and Turkey hosts 1976 European nations champion Czechoslovakia which has yet to play a qualifying match.

The Welsh, managed by Mike England, will be happy to repeat the 9-0 victory they scored over the Czechs in the qualifying section for the Argentina World Cup finals.

Ron Greenwood's England takes up the running in Group Four with a home match against Switzerland without the injured Kevin Keegan, Phil Thomson and Eric Gates.

The English are still recovering from the shock of their 1-2 defeat in Romania, but Switzerland, beaten 1-2 at home by Norway in its only match to date is unlikely to add insult to injury.

## India begins 'test touring' in Australia

PERTH, Nov. 18 (AFP) — Indian cricket captain Sunil Gavaskar said here Tuesday his team was good enough to beat Australia in the three-match test series starting in Sydney on Jan. 2.

Gavaskar was speaking at a press conference a few hours after the Indians arrived to start their tough three months tour.

"We have the side to beat Australia," he said. "We are good enough to win two of the tests."

"The experience gained by us when we defeated Australia 2-0 in the six-test series in India in the 1979-80 season has done the team the world of good."

"That success showed our boys we can get the better of Australia in Australia too."

"We can win because we have the necessary fire power for Australian wickets. Our bowling is better balanced this time than ever before." He said 21-year-old Kapil Dev, a fast bowler and accomplished batsman, would be a major force in the Indian side for victory.

Kapil Dev is regarded as the most exciting all-rounder produced by India for many years. He has captured 103 wickets at a cost of 2578 runs while scoring 1068 runs in 26 tests.

"He is a very energetic and enthusiastic player who has improved tremendously, especially since his tour of England. As a bowler, he has genuine pace and his batting contains many wonderful shots," Gavaskar said.

Gavaskar said batsman Dilip Vengsarkar and wicketkeeper Sayed Kirmani would also make vital contributions to the Indian cause. He said there was less strain on his own batting now because there was more stability in the side's run scoring department.

"A lot of pressure has been taken off me and I am able to go out in a more relaxed way," he said.

Gavaskar has 23 test centuries to his credit — only six fewer than the world record of 29 held by Australia's Sir Donald Bradman.

Overnight rain in Perth prevented the Indians from having outdoor practice Tuesday and preparations were limited to an indoor session.

The first game of the tour, a three-day clash with Western Australia, starts here on Saturday. It will be followed immediately by a one-day limited overs match, also against the state side.

### Circles on the squares?

## Cricket board eyes 'experiments'

LONDON, Nov. 18 (AFP) — Cricket squares may have circles on them in this country next summer. When the test and country cricket board holds its winter meeting at Lord's on Dec. 11, the 17 first-class counties will consider a recommendation from their cricket committee that they be introduced in "Benson and Hedges Cup" matches.

It is felt particularly necessary in view of experiments first carried out in "Kerry Packer" matches and being tried in other countries.

England, when on tour, could now be asked to play under conditions of which it has no experience.

The proposals is that at a minimum of four fielders plus the bowler and wicketkeeper, must be within a thirty yards area, bounded

by two half-circles centered on each middle stump.

The intention is to discourage ultra-defensive tactics, which have at times led to fieldsmen encircling the boundary.

Last summer, England was fined for not achieving an average of 16.25 overs an hour but West Indies, having declined to fall in line, escaped any financial punishment though it bowled an even slower rate.

The board will be writing to Australia, the visitor this summer, to suggest, financial penalties apply to both teams, with 16.25 again the minimum figure.

Also in light of developments last season, it is hoped that, in consultation with captains, umpires and administrators, clearly-defined guidelines will be laid down in 1981 in relation to the fitness of the ground, weather and

light for play.

Last August, the International Cricket Conference asked member countries to produce proposals to encourage spin bowling and bring back more variety, to the game. With this in mind, the countries will consider several matters for submission to the I.C.C.

The items are:

1. Restriction on the length of bowlers' run-up (possibly from October, 1983.)

2. All countries should agree to operate a timing system for slow over rates, with the fine substantial.

3. In English first-class cricket, groundsmen should be asked to prepare hard, fast and completely dry pitches for the first day of a match, which hopefully would show sufficient signs of wear to assist spin bowlers on the third day.

## Soccer fan leaves hiding, confesses to manslaughter

ROME, Nov. 18 (AFP) — An Italian soccer fan has decided to come out of hiding to confess to manslaughter committed at a Roma-Lazio soccer match on Oct. 28, 1979, an Italian newspaper said here on Monday.

At the match at the Olympic Stadium here, Vincenzo Paparelli, married and a father, came to cheer for Lazio but died when he was hit in the face by a flag.

A man identified as the launcher of the flag a young Roma fan, fled. He went into hiding in Switzerland, near Lugano, but eventually, Giovanni Fiorillo, the fan, told the press he was tired of running.

"It is why I have decided to enter prison. I have lived the saddest year of my life this past year," said Fiorillo.

"I did not want to kill anyone only to root for my team," Fiorillo said. He had been a lumberer, a dishwasher and a mechanic in his year of flight, he explained.

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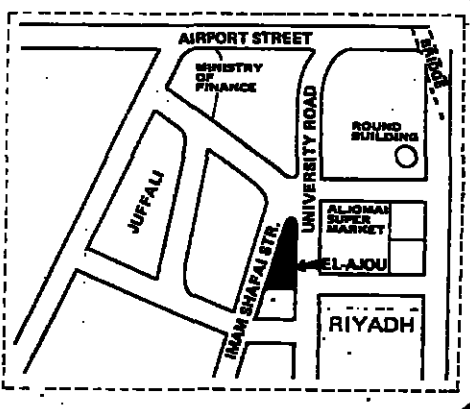
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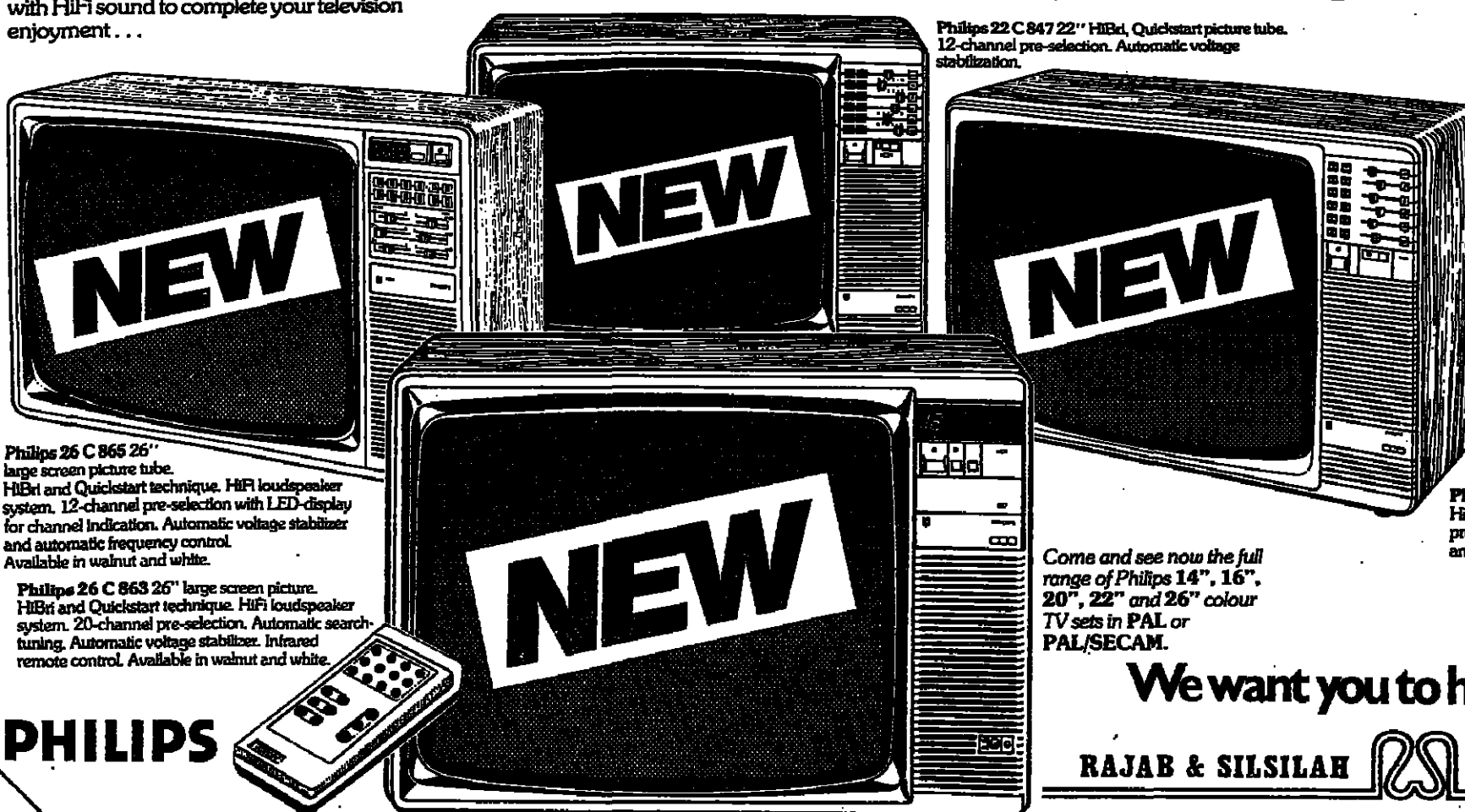
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## English side dominates Australians

BIRMINGHAM, England, Nov. 18 (AFP) — A scrambled 51st minute goal by Arsenal striker Alan Sunderland was all that England's "B" team had to show for their almost total monopoly of the international soccer friendly against the Australians at St. Andrews, Birmingham City's ground, here Monday night.

The solitary breakthrough came from one of 22 corners won by England's constant efforts to unlock a determined Australian defense on a soggy, rain-swept pitch.

When Gordon Cowans floated the ball in from the right, Billy Wright and Joe Gallagher, England's central defenders, both had shots at goal before Sunderland scored from close range.

Allen Maher, the sole survivor from Australia's 1974 World Cup squad in West Germany, was mainly responsible for the unrealistic score.

The tall, 30-year-old goalkeeper, made a brilliant first half save from a header by Gallagher and dealt capably with a hail of shots from Dennis Mortimer and Steve Williams as England's midfielders surged forward unopposed.

Striker Cyril Regis hit the bar in the second half while Australia's Gray Cole had one great chance to equalize after 59 minutes, but after beating Gallagher, he shot wide with only goalkeeper Gray Bailey to beat. Eight minutes later Cole had another shot smothered on the line by the combined efforts of the keeper Gray Bailey and full-back John Bailey.

Only 3,292 turned out on a miserable night to watch the sadly depleted England team, despite the presence of five local favorites. Rudi Gutendorf, the West German-born manager of the Australian side, was delighted to have restricted the England team to a single goal.

"I was very pleased to make such an outstanding result," he said. "Just one player in the England team would be worth many times the total value of my side."

"We shouldn't forget that we are mostly part-time players and we are now at the end of our season."

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ABROAD: Dutch soccer star Johan Neeskens now wears a New York Cosmos uniform. The loss of stars like Neeskens and Johan Cruyff has damaged considerably the quality of soccer play in the Netherlands.

## Dutch soccer now desperate for fans, cash, official says

THE HAGUE, Nov. 18 (AFP) — Dutch soccer, which captivated millions of supporters at both home and abroad during the 1970s, is going through a desperate cash and confidence crisis, one of the country's leading soccer administrators said here Sunday.

"The financial situation as regards football (soccer) in this country is getting worse day to day," continued the president of Dutch soccer's financial commission, Cor Van Rijn.

He said total debts for the 37 professional clubs in the Netherlands had increased by \$10 million in the past year and now stood at \$70 million.

With the exception of five top teams, the rest of the clubs faced crippling debts which cannot be offset by the \$20 million injected annually into the sport, said Van Rijn.

Their cash problems are aggravated by falling attendances which reached 4.2 million for the season 1973/74, but only 3.2 million for last season. One of the reasons for this lack of interest surrounds the fall from grace

of leading club sides Ajax of Amsterdam and Feyenoord of Rotterdam.

Feyenoord, the 1970 European champions, for example, often played before capacity 65,000 crowds early in the 1970s, but now are relieved to clear 25,000.

The big-name players such as Johan Cruyff, Robbie Rensenbrink, Rudi Krol and Johan Neeskens are also a thing of the past and with salaries and club expenses now under limitation, the current breed are constantly on the look-out for a move abroad.

Club directors, on the other hand, maintain that salaries should be in accordance with performances on the field, a sentiment which has public support after each man in the Dutch international squad had received \$70,000 for a series of lackluster displays in June's European nations finals in Italy.

Those in charge of the leading Dutch clubs will have to straighten their finances quickly to revive the sport if they are to avoid direct government action.

## Zanzibar's late goal stuns Kenya

KHARTOUM, Nov. 18 (R) — Little Zanzibar Monday scored a major upset in the East and Central Africa soccer Challenge Cup when it scored a last-minute goal to beat Kenya 2-1 in a Group B match in Port Sudan.

In a Group A clash watched by a capacity crowd of 40,000 at the Khartoum Stadium here, Sudan scored a goal in each half to beat Somalia 2-0 but rough play marred the game towards the end.

Zanzibar's stunning win could be the end of Kenyan hopes of winning the Cup they last held in 1975-76. Kenyan coach Marshall Mulwa had predicted Zanzibar would be crushed if it had nothing more to offer than when it lost 1-0 to Malawi, the defending champions, on Saturday.

But Zanzibar, who along with Zambia, Somalia and Sudan has never won the tournament, produced a spirited performance that deservedly brought victory.

After a goalless first half, Zanzibar went ahead in the 54th minute when Saidi Hamadi headed home as a flighted cross caused a mix-up in the Kenya goalmouth.

A minute later Kenya defender Martin Ochieng equalized, curving a corner kick directly into the net. But Zanzibar's moment of joy was to come a minute from the end when Innocent Haule beat goalkeeper Dan Odhiambo with a header from an Omar Mcha's free kick.

The defeat leaves Kenya with the difficult task of beating Malawi in the group's last fixture on Friday if it is to stand a chance of progressing past the preliminary stages. Even if it does win the results of earlier games between Malawi and Zambia, and Zanzibar and Zambia may have ended its chance of qualifying.

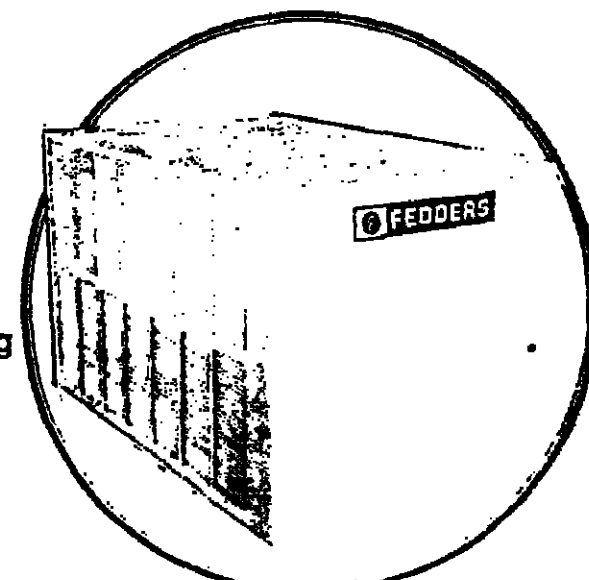
A brief scuffle between players of both sides followed by some rough play brought a disappointing end to an otherwise good match between Sudan and Somalia.

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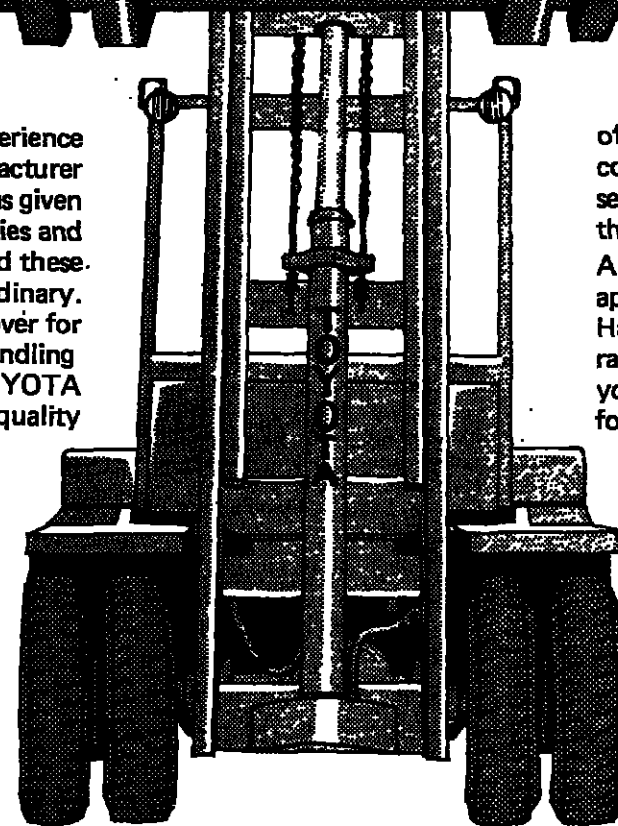
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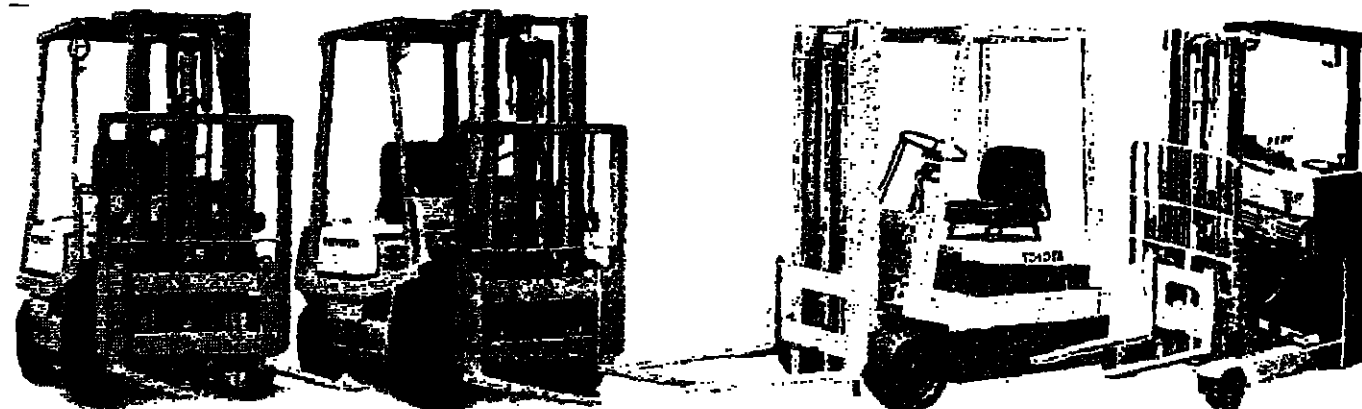
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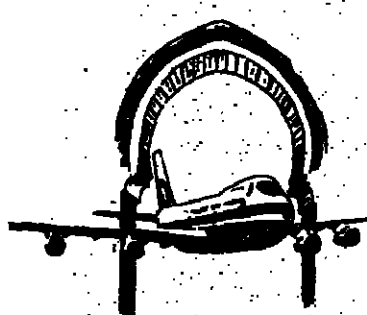
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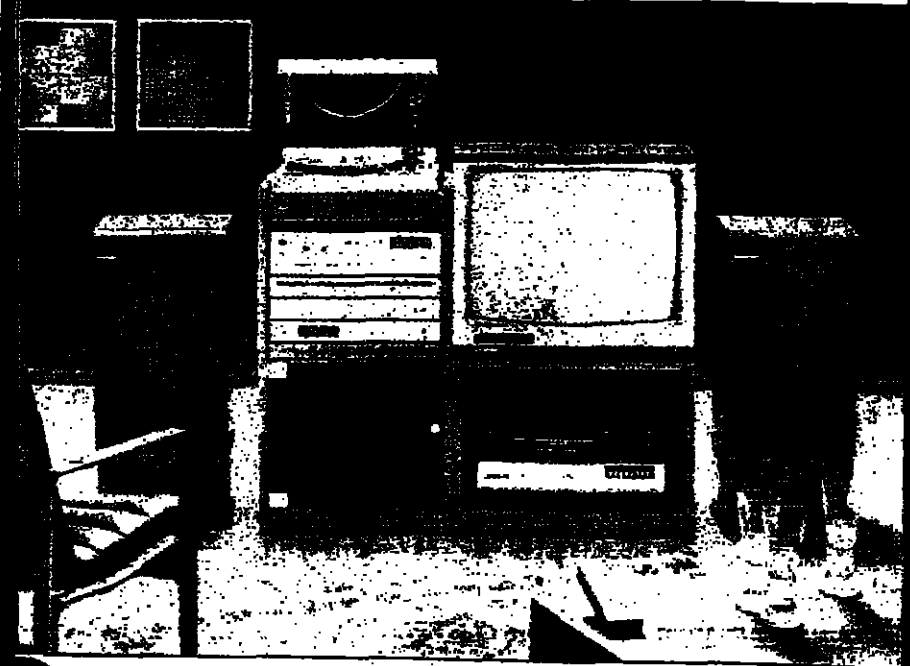
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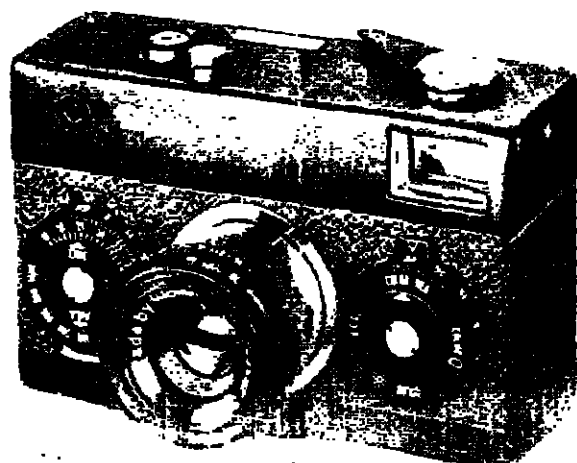
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## Afghan defector breaks silence

# Russians said looting uranium

ISLAMABAD, Nov. 18 (AP) — Soviet occupation forces have systematically removed millions of dollars worth of uranium ore and precious stones from Afghanistan without compensating the Kabul regime, according to an Afghan official who recently defected.

"As a general policy the Russians are looting our mineral resources, precious stones and even museum pieces," said Abdul Latif Aurah, 48, a U.S.-educated engineer and former department head in the Afghan Ministry of Mines and Industry.

In an interview, he said the Soviets con-

tinued to import natural gas from Afghan fields by pipeline. But Afghan officials are unable to confirm the amount taken because "the meter is on the Soviet side of the border."

Aurah, who spent 18 years in government service, arrived in Pakistan by foot in late October and agreed to speak to reporters only after his wife and the remainder of his family joined him here.

He said he was told by an Afghan colleague, a government engineer, that a hill containing an outcrop of rich uranium ore at Khakrez, in the southeastern province of

Khandahar, was flattened four months ago by the Soviets, who shipped the mineral back to the Soviet Union.

The former Afghan official said he witnessed Soviet troops taking ore containing lapis lazuli, a deep-blue gemstone, from the basement of his ministry. Another 250 metric tons were moved from a storehouse in Kabul.

The lapis ore was "very conservatively" valued at \$60 million, said Aurah. He quoted an Afghan colleague assisting the Soviets as saying: "They are taking it to the Soviet Union."

A glass container holding one kilogram of uncut emeralds, long publicly displayed at a government showroom on Pakhustan Square in central Kabul, was similarly seized by Soviet troops this fall, he said. According to his information, the precious stones were removed to Kabul Airport and loaded aboard Soviet military transport planes which had earlier brought weapons and ammunition for the Soviet forces.

Aurah, a petroleum engineer, said he fled last month after a friend in his ministry told him an order to report to Sherberghan, northern Afghanistan, meant he was to be imprisoned without trial.

"The Russians don't trust us, especially Afghans who were educated in the West and served under King Zahir Shah," he said. The Afghan monarch reigned from 1933-1973, and sought asylum in Italy after he was deposed.

Since the 1978 Marxist takeover, the Soviets have twice unilaterally raised the price they pay for Afghan natural gas. They have a free hand at determining how much they take without any worry of Afghan opposition, he said.

The gas has been piped to the Soviet Union as repayment for some \$900 million in credit loans for Soviet-planned development projects, he said. Only about 10 per cent of the fuel is used domestically, much of this for a fertilizer plant whose output is now shipped across the Soviet border, he said.

Aurah charged that Soviets who call themselves "advisers" were presently "drawing up Afghanistan's development policies with the aim of exploiting its natural resources for the benefit of the Soviet Union."

"For 20 years they have been carrying out our surveys and they know," he said. He said Soviet reports given to the Afghan government say proven petroleum reserves, so far untapped, amount to 14 million tons, and natural gas reserves total more than 30 billion cubic meters.

But he called these "political figures" and said some Afghan experts believe there could be 25 to 30 million tons of oil at Afghanistan's Sar-I-Pul fields and elsewhere.

## Military buildup to be U.S. reply to Soviet moves

MADRID, Nov. 18 (R) — The United States has given the Soviet Union a clear warning that a U.S. military buildup was inevitable if the Kremlin endangered detente.

European diplomats said the United States established a direct link between detente and disarmament in the toughest statement delivered so far in five days of discussion at the European Security Conference.

"We are moving precipitously toward confrontation and it is in all of our interest that this movement cease and be redirected toward the spirit of detente," Max Kampelman, co-chairman of the U.S. delegation, told the 35-state conference Monday.

"We are constantly forced to the conclusion that we must once again depend upon our military strength to serve as the necessary deterrent," he said.

Kampelman, a Democrat, indicated that he spoke not only for the outgoing Carter administration but also reflected the views of Republican President-elect Ronald Reagan, who takes office in two months' time.

"If detente as a concept is to be interpreted one way by us and another way by the Soviet Union, then it is a meaningless word which cannot govern our relationships," he said.

Kampelman said the United States would "intensify its efforts in the days ahead towards strengthening our military capacity." He was speaking at closed session of the Madrid conference after the British, Dutch, Luxembourg, Belgian, Canadian and Italian delegates had denounced the Soviet Union's stand on Afghanistan and human rights, officials said.

A Soviet spokesman said the conference had no mandate to discuss Afghanistan. The Soviet Union was likely to make an early reply to the U.S. statement and officials said they expected the atmosphere at Madrid, already strained by a nine-week East-West battle over the agenda and tough opening speeches last week, to become even more tense.

Leaders of the Carter-appointed U.S. delegation have had private contacts with the Reagan transition team since the Nov. 4 U.S. election.

Kampelman said, "These are basic political issues that unite Reagan and Carter. I say this with conviction and authority. I would rather not say more."

## Greensboro murders

# 6 Klansmen acquitted

GREENSBORO, North Carolina, Nov. 18 (R) — Six Ku Klux Klansmen and self-styled Nazis have been acquitted by an all-white jury of murdering five leftists at an anti-Klan march a year ago.

The killings, which were filmed by a television news cameraman and shown around the world, occurred after a convoy of cars arrived at a mainly black neighborhood of Greensboro. Taunts were exchanged and Klansmen emerged from the back of a car and opened fire. Five leftists, all members of the Communist Workers' Party, were killed and another 10 people were wounded.

The jury returned its verdict amid tight security, with city, county and state police

lining the courtroom. The jurors had been deliberating for almost seven days.

The accused Klansmen said they acted in self-defense and were each acquitted of five charges of first degree murder and one charge of rioting. It was the longest trial in North Carolina history, with jury selection alone taking seven weeks.

The Communists had charged that the five were victims of an assassination conspiracy because only leaders of the march were killed and police were slow to intervene.



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## Gang plotted armed revolt, officials say

PEKING, Nov. 18 (AP) — Followers of Communist China's "Gang of Four" radical leaders deployed 33,500 militiamen in Shanghai and planned an armed rebellion after learning of the Gang's arrest in October 1976, foreign ministry officials said Tuesday.

In the last of four briefings on contents of the indictment against the Gang and six members of the so-called "Lin Piao Clique," the officials said these followers planned to control key facilities in China's biggest city and instigate strikes and demonstrations across the country.

The officials did not say why alleged rebellion failed to start.

The indictment says that the "Gang" worried because it didn't control China's army, had handed out 74,000 rifles, 300 artillery pieces and 10 million rounds of ammunition to the militias in Shanghai in August 1976.

Chairman Mao Tse-Tung, who had led the People's Republic since its founding in 1949, died on Sept. 9, 1976. Senior leader Deng Xiaoping has said the "Gang" didn't accept his choice of a successor, a reference to current party chairman Hua Guofeng, and wanted to seize all power for itself. The leader of the "Gang," Mao's wife, Jiang Qing, was not named.

## Gold prices up; dollar rates firm

LONDON, Nov. 18 (AP) — Monday's latest leap in U.S. interest rates underpinned the dollar at firm levels on world money markets Tuesday. Gold prices rose.

Major American banks raised their prime lending rates from 15 1/2 to 16 1/4 per cent Monday at 16 1/2 per cent. The result was a wave of dollar-buying with sharp gains for the U.S. currency.

For example, Eurodollar one-month interest rates rose to 17 per cent on the dollar compared to 16 1/2 per cent for the British pound.

The dollar was steady in quieter trading early Tuesday but one dealer commented, "With this interest level, the dollar won't fall back."

The latest U.S. money supply figures were to be released later Tuesday. The federal reserve board is using tighter credit in an effort to slow the increase in the money supply and thus combat inflation.

Gold in Hong Kong rose the equivalent of \$4.39 an ounce on Tuesday to close at \$616.18 compared to Monday's \$611.79.

The U.S. dollar showed little movement in a light trading day on the Tokyo foreign exchange Tuesday, closing at 213.25 yen compared to Monday's finish of 213.60 yen.

## Crazy over roaches

TOKYO, Nov. 18 (AP) — A 31-year-old construction worker set fire to his apartment, slashed his wrist in an attempted suicide and was arrested for arson Tuesday in a losing battle against cockroaches, police said.

Police said Kiyomitsu Watanabe returned home early Tuesday to find that cockroaches had invaded his apartment "in great numbers." Armed with a cigarette lighter, he set out to incinerate the bugs but ended up setting his whole apartment afire.

Watanabe then fled from the building and, apparently distraught by his setback, cut his wrists, police said. The man, now being interrogated, was slightly hurt. The fire was doused by residents of the building.



REPAIRS: Three Soviet-built fighter planes undergo routine repairs on a runway at Kabul. The photo, transmitted by Tass, has a caption that reads: "Afghan pilots on the guard of the April revolution."

## Key to hostages' freedom

# Lawmakers may prune Iran assets thicket

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 (CO) — The U.S. Congress may have to help untangle the legal thicket surrounding \$8 billion in frozen Iranian assets. The assets are the key in negotiations about Iran's conditions for release of the 52 American hostages.

Iran has insisted that the United States lift the freeze on all Iranian government assets — mostly deposits in domestic and foreign branches of American banks. But meeting that demand will be difficult and time consuming. The assets are subject to dozens of court suits brought by U.S. businesses with claims against Iran.

In addition, there are potential constitutional and practical problems involved in another Iranian demand — returning the wealth of the former Shah. To take such an action, the United States would have to identify and then confiscate private property that is part of the Shah's estate or owned by his relatives. Administration officials have said they are not even sure it would be possible to identify the wealth.

On Nov. 14, 1979, President Jimmy Carter froze all official Iranian assets under U.S. control. At the time, Carter said he acted to protect the dollar, because Iran was threatening to withdraw its deposits from U.S. banks. His action prevented Iran from withdrawing

or spending its money. The Treasury Department has estimated Iran's assets at \$8 billion. Iran says it has about \$14 billion.

Freezing the assets set off a major international scramble by banks and businesses to protect their loans and investments in Iran. According to the Treasury Department, more than 3,000 businesses and individuals have claims against Iran. At least 250 have taken their claims to court. Some have obtained court orders legally blocking withdrawal of Iranian assets until their claims are settled.

Several U.S. banks already have declared Iranian loans in default and used Iranian bank deposits in their foreign branches to pay off the loans. Most legal experts say Carter has broad executive powers to deal with the assets. But some say a new law might be needed to fully settle conflicting claims to the assets.

Congress might have to enact legislation establishing a domestic or international commission to resolve the claims, said Gary Hufbauer, deputy director of the Georgetown University International Law Institute in Washington. Such a commission might be the only way to satisfy both the claimants and Iran, he said.

Under such a setup, the United States

might immediately return to Iran that portion of the assets not subject to private claims, including \$2 billion in securities and gold held by the Federal Reserve. The commission then would set a formula for paying off the claims from the remaining amount. In the past, similar commissions have resolved U.S. claims against Communist China, Cuba and other communist countries.

The president also has "broad sweeping emergency powers" to settle the issue on his own, Hufbauer said. For example, the president probably could nationalize the assets and return them to Iranian control, thus blocking most claims by U.S. businesses and individuals. If he doesn't want to act entirely on his own, the president could ask Congress to nationalize the assets.

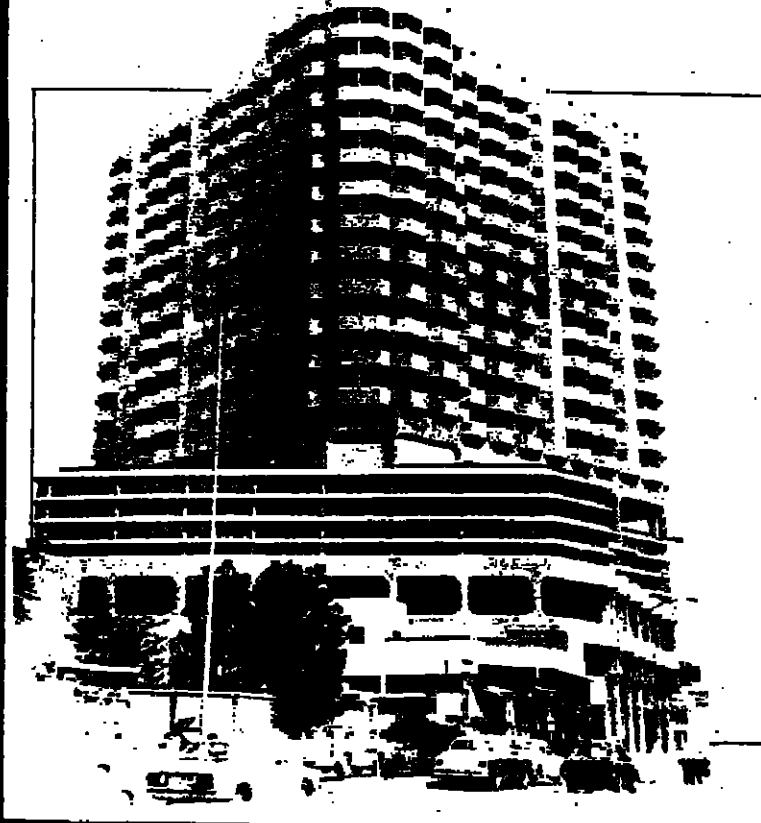
But such an action "doesn't comport with my notion of justice," Hufbauer said. "It's not possible to do this quickly and cleanly, and with justice."

William Bader, staff director of the Senate foreign relations committee, said he did not see the need for Congress to pass special legislation to resolve the assets issue. "The president acted under his own executive authority" in freezing the assets, Bader said. "If he froze them unilaterally, he can unfreeze them unilaterally."

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